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Michigan Happenings

Governor Alex Groesbeck is asked to include 12 subjects, most of them of minor importance, in his second message to the legislature, in a concurrent resolution adopted by the house of representatives. Several of the suggestions are amendments to straighten bungled laws. Among these are the "gun law," which requires permits to own or carry firearms; an amendment allowing foreclosure notices to be served by posting them on the premises; another safeguarding defaulted bank bonds; and a fourth providing for adjustment of primary school money in districts partly annexed by cities.

The village caucus in East Grand Rapids, in which he was defeated by Dorr M. Scott for the nomination as trustee, was illegal, Dr. Oscar B. Frye, a trustee, charges in a petition filed with the board of election commissioners asking a recount, a new caucus or an order declaring the caucus null and void with the present village officers holding over. Since the ballots were destroyed, Dr. Frye asserts, he desires that a new caucus be conducted under the township law, under which the caucus was held, be called.

Directly contradicting Federal Judge Hand of Grand Rapids, who decided recently that the gift tax law is unconstitutional so far as it affects gifts not made in contemplation of death, Judge Fred M. Raymond, of the United States District Court, in a decision in the case of John W. Blodgett vs. Charles Holden, United States collector of internal revenue for the Fourth District of Michigan, declared the law constitutional and ordered the case dismissed as requested by Edward J. Bowman, United States district attorney.

Convicted of killing his former sweetheart, Mrs. Pearl Fuller, by a jury in Circuit Court at Kalamazoo, Lee H. Gormel was sentenced to life imprisonment in the Marquette Branch prison by Judge George V. Weimer. The verdict followed six hours' deliberation. Mrs. Fuller was shot to death a few weeks ago on the porch of her brother's home, after she and Gormel had quarreled. Gormel's defense plea was insanity.

William Laird, prosecuting attorney of Washtenaw County, has been ordered by the attorney general, Andrew B. Dougherty, to bring Herman and William Crossie and Owen Lidke to trial on a charge of murdering Harry Cyb, Augusta storekeeper. The attorney general warned Laird that if he persists in his refusal to act the state will be compelled to start removal proceedings against him.

State prison commission will ask the special session of the legislature to appropriate \$1,700,000 for construction work on the new prison at Jackson, W. H. Porter, chairman, has announced. This amount, plus \$500,000 which will be available next July from a regular appropriation made by the last legislature, will permit continuing construction until July, 1927, he said.

A reward of \$200 for information leading to the arrest and conviction of the man who abducted and attacked a 7-year old school girl has been offered by the city commission of Owosso. The police have run down scores of clues, but to no avail. Threats of violence against the man, if he is caught, have been heard and police say they will take him out of the county if he is captured.

Several proposed changes in the city charter, including the election of a city assessor and the election of four supervisors instead of two, as at present, have been acted upon favorably by the council of Ypsilanti. The amendments will be voted upon at the spring election if approved by Gov. Alex J. Groesbeck, to whom they will be submitted for approval.

It was Charles P. Neumann, not Charles Plummer, who has been named by United States Representative Grant Hudson for postmaster at Rochester, whose new term will begin April 1. The wrong name was sent out from Washington and published by Michigan newspapers. It will be Neumann's second term.

A fire started by an explosion during an acetone distillation experiment in one of the laboratories of the Michigan State College chemistry building resulted in damage to the building equipment estimated at \$1,000.

Pending adjustment of the troubled mental state of the House over road legislation, the Senate, according to present indications, will not attempt to settle officially on a plan for increasing road building. Such at least is the opinion of Senator Burney E. Brower of Jackson, administration leader. Usually Brower's predictions indicate the sentiment of the Senate and the desire of the administration, which in past sessions have governed the actions of the Senate.

Charging that imperialism, selfishness and the eternal chase after the dollar have clouded the relations between the United States and the far east, Dr. Paul Hutchinson, editor of the Christian Century, of Chicago, spoke before an audience of University of Michigan students and faculty members at Ann Arbor. "America's history in the far east is a black one, and we shall pay, pay terribly for the record we have written," he warned. "The opium war, the Castle agreement and the penetration of missionaries all are clouded and besmirched with unfair dealings."

The enrollment at the University of Michigan is placed at 10,085 students for the second semester, according to an announcement issued from the office of Ira M. Smith, registrar of the university. These figures are only tentative, however, and are exclusive of extension students. New registrations totaled 663, this number probably including several duplications through the enrollment of students in more than one college of the university.

The "measuring stick" of the future for doctors, clinics, and hospitals will be the test of their ability to co-operate with special workers and understand thoroughly the social background of the patient to whom they are giving treatment, according to Katherine McMahon, professor at the Boston School of Social Work who spoke on "medicine and social work" in the natural science auditorium of the University of Michigan.

Voters of Highland Park will go to the polls March 1 in a primary election to select city officials from candidates who completed filing recently. Besides the choosing of officers an amendment to the city charter will also be on the ballot. According to Delmar A. Gowing, city clerk, 3,800 votes are expected to be cast. Highland Park has a population of 62,000. Sixteen polling places will be open from 7 a. m. until 8 p. m.

After hearing five witnesses, including Kennedy L. Potter, chairman of the Republican State Central Committee, and Clark Z. Potter, his brother, Jackson County's one-man Grand Jury inquiring into the purchase by the state of the Chelsea cement plant, adjourned last Monday afternoon. The sessions were to be resumed Friday providing Judge Benjamin Williams is able to return from Kalamazoo.

Gomaldia Power, four-year-old daughter of H. Power, Battle Creek, Michigan Central section hand, was fatally burned when the cot on which she was playing in the front room of the Power home became enveloped in flames. It is believed that her three-year-old sister, Margaret, set fire to the cot while playing with matches. Inquest into the death has been ordered by Coroner Carl Gray.

John D. Karel, city commissioner of Grand Rapids, has been made defendant in two suits in Circuit Court started by Charles F. Garratt, president of the Michigan Chair Co., of which Mr. Karel is secretary and treasurer, and Mrs. Anna M. Garratt, vice-president of the company. The actions are an outgrowth of a \$1,000,000 deal involving the sale of the chair company, announced last week.

Mrs. Margaret Travis, 26 years old, pleaded guilty in Circuit Court at Pontiac to keeping a place where intoxicating liquors were sold at her home, 73 Gillespie street. Mrs. Travis is the divorced wife of Dehull N. Travis, Flint attorney, and the daughter of E. T. Reed, former Pontiac attorney who was disbarred last year for improper conduct and intoxication.

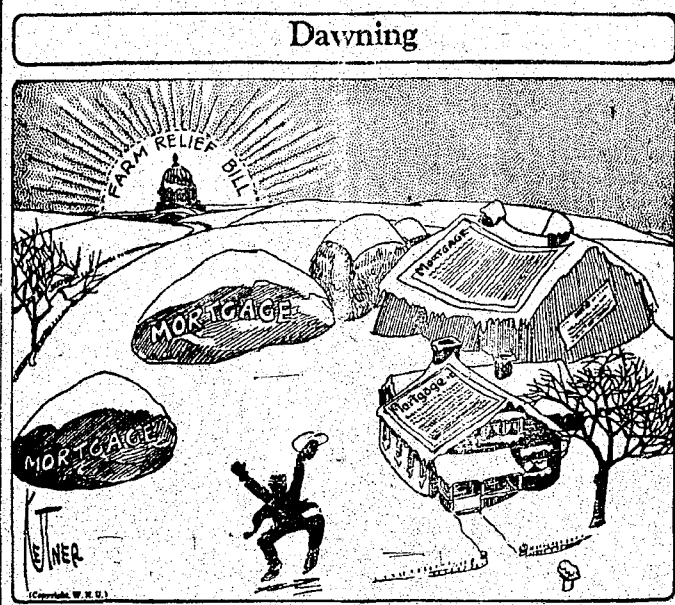
A voluntary reduction in the Detroit Edison Co. rates, that will mean a saving to the smallest domestic consumers of electricity of about \$1.75 a year, was announced in a letter to Mayor John W. Smith from Alex Dow, president of the company. The approval of the Michigan Public Utilities Commission has been asked.

James N. McBride, of Burton, Progressive candidate in 1914 for Lieutenant Governor, has announced his candidacy for representative in the State Legislature from Shiawassee County. McBride was elected representative on the Bull Moose ticket in 1912 and served one term. He was formerly state market director.

Mrs. Eva C. Felton, for 73 years a resident of Ingham county, is dead at her home in East Lansing. She came here from Ann Arbor in an ox cart with her mother when she was 6 years old. Mrs. Felton leaves two sons here and a daughter in Grand Rapids.

A committee of 60 clergymen of western Michigan, embracing all Protestant denominations, has been selected by the west side laymen's council for an investigation of the Lord's Day Alliance of Michigan, Inc., of which M. Wayne Womer, Detroit, is general secretary.

The federal reserve board at Washington has announced that permission has been granted the First National bank of Lapeer to exercise trust powers.



GRAYLING TO HAVE FASHION SHOW

UNDER AUSPICES OF GOODFELLOWSHIP CLUB.

The first real Fashion Show to be staged in Grayling will be given under the auspices of the Goodfellowship club on Saturday afternoon at the Grayling High school auditorium, when all the Grayling ladies will be shown the latest fashions, such as gowns, coats, hats, etc., on living models who will pose in the up-to-the-minute styles. Mrs. Marius Hanson is general chairman of the affair and her assistants are Mrs. Esbern Hanson, Mrs. Oscar Hanson, Mrs. A. J. Joseph, Mrs. C. R. Keyport. Mrs. C. G. Clippert will be chairman of the program which will be composed of special music and feature dancing. The models to be presented are Mrs. Henry Bauman, Mrs. A. M. Lewis, Miss Lucille Hanson, Miss Grace Bauman, Mrs. Harold McNeven and Miss Fernie Armstrong.

We have spoken in the first of this article about the Grayling ladies being especially interested in the show but we are quite well aware that there will be some excitement among the gentlemen, both old and young, as to what is the ultra fashionable thing in spring styles and we assure these gentlemen that the most fastidious tastes will be pleased.

The articles to be featured have been brought to Grayling through the courtesy of the Grayling Mercantile Co., and a large crowd is expected.

WASHINGTON'S MAXIMS

Be not apt to relate news if you know not the truth thereof. Think before you speak. When a man does all he can, tho it succeeds not well, blame not him that did it. Let your conversation be without malice or envy. Let your recreation be manifold, not sinful. Speak no evil of the absent, for it is unjust. Show yourself not glad at the misfortune of another tho he were your enemy.

WOMAN'S CLUB NOTES

The Woman's Club met at the home of Mrs. McCullough Monday evening. Roll Call—George Washington Maxims. Business. Interesting Facts in the Life of Lincoln—Mrs. Anstett. The Club will meet with Mrs. Hendrie next Monday night.

THE SCHOOL CONSTITUTES ONLY THE THIRD FACTOR IN THE EDUCATION OF THE RACES. THIS TOGETHER WITH THE HOME AND THE CHURCH MAKES THE TRIANGLE OF FORCES COMPLETE.



JOHN W. PAYNE

—A WARNING CONCERNING THE FUTURE OF AMERICAN IDEALS IF HUGHES ARGUMENT IS ACCEPTED

Who is Rupert Hughes? What is his religious affiliation, if any? What principles, if any, of true Americanism does he stand for?

It just occurs to me that he is an American Novelist from Missouri who doesn't stand for much of anything. After reading his biography it is evident that it is foolish, in a sense, to write anything in regard to his visionary argument for men and women to read, but we are thinking of the boys and girls who are also exposed and in whose hands the future of American ideals must rest.

In reading Mr. Hughes' comments on the life of Washington we should bear in mind that the Father of Our Country was born in 1732, and died in 1799. As we are aware, the educational, moral, and religious tendencies were vastly different two centuries ago. It is to be hoped that the home, the school, and the church, have done something for America since Washington's time. The relaxation in moral and spiritual growth since the late war furnishes an excellent chance for men like Rupert Hughes to attempt to drag us back two centuries. For this man to suggest that George Washington should be dubbed either a mollycoddle or a milkop, if he stood for all the principles for which we have always given him credit, is an insult to true Americanism and should cause the red blood of every real American to surge to his finger tips in righteous indignation.

We do not believe that Mr. Washington was a curser, a whiskey distiller and a gambler, even in his day, but if he were, what an alarming statement it is for Rupert Hughes to say that he thinks just as much of him for all that. While it doesn't matter very much, so far as the duty of the people of the Twentieth Century is concerned, as an American, I am challenging Mr. Hughes to prove his documents. Strange, if true, that we haven't been informed before. As President Coolidge, with his dry smile, so aptly remarked when asked for an opinion in regard to the views of Rupert Hughes, on the life of Washington, pointing out of the window behind his desk to the aluminum tip of a white marble obelisk rising heavenward more than one tenth of a mile, "The monument is still there."

Respectfully submitted,
—to the Citizens of a Christian Country.
JOHN W. PAYNE.

REWARD MONEY WILL BE PAID

Tentative Agreement Between Governor and Legislative Leaders Assures Satisfactory Settlement.

(By Ed A. Nowack.) Lansing—Michigan motorists need have no fear of an increased gas or weight tax or modification either. Townships and counties will receive their delinquent reward money on definite dates and early enough each year so the money will be available for use with the beginning of the season. Not a cent of reward money is to be repudiated. The future highway program as envisioned by the special session of the 33rd Michigan legislature sees a road building program of about 300 miles of improved roads annually.

That, in effect, is the program tentatively agreed to by house and senate leaders and Gov. Alex Groesbeck and which is on its way to enactment this week in the shape of a bill introduced by Rep. Eugene Kirby.

Gov. and Rep. John Gillett of Kalamazoo. Here is the program. Solution of the highway problem was started when Rep. Gillett introduced a bill asking amendments to the highway law to provide payment of \$250,000 delinquent reward money for townships. This was followed by a Kirby bill which incorporated the Gillett amendment following a conference between Gov. Groesbeck, Kirby and Gillett. The Kirby-Gillett bill provides this schedule of payment for delinquent county rewards:

Townships to receive \$250,000 by April 1, 1926, which was not previously provided for and which is all that is owing them at this time, and to receive thereafter on that date each year all township reward money that falls due.

One million dollars county reward money to be paid June 1, 1926. One million dollars each on Feb. 1 and April 1, 1927 and two millions annually thereafter on these dates until all present delinquent rewards are paid as well as all reward money now on application, filed and approved previous to the repeal of the reward law in April, 1925. This reward money totals over nine millions.

In accepting this schedule the legislature approves the temporary suspension of about one and one-half millions in rewards for one year but makes immediate payment of township rewards for which no previous provision existed. Townships in 18 counties will be affected.

How Money is Obtained. The proposed schedule will be met out of the natural increases in the gas and weight tax by reason of the increase in motor vehicles and use.

Highway Commissioner Frank Rogers, at the request of numerous legislators, submitted a seven-page letter to the assembly detailing highway appropriations, work, expenditures and costs of needed sections of roads. In part the letter says:

The 1923 legislature appropriated for the fiscal years 1924-25 the respective sums of \$321,440 and \$331,190 for administrative expenses. Department operating expenses were so decreased that an unexpended balance of \$105,214 remained at the end of the 1925 fiscal year which was returned to the state treasury. The average cost of more than three million cubic yards of earth work on authorized 1925 projects was 49.7 cents per cubic yard as compared to 52 cents per cubic yard for 1924.

Last season's trunk line and federal aid road work included over two million square yards of concrete pavement, most of this being the seven-and-nine inch standard pavement 20 feet wide at an average price, including cement, of \$2.17 per square yard as compared to the 1924 price of \$2.22 per square yard.

For the period covered by the letter it is stated a total of federal aid funds of \$14,303,154 were received up to Feb. 17, 1926 while \$1,892,875 were covered by present outstanding contracts. Additional federal aid of \$4,146,835 is available next July 1.

That Grand Blanc Road.

The letter gives a stinging rebuke to what are termed misleading and incorrect reports of the costs of the Grand Blanc and Grand River avenue roads. It relates the Grand Blanc road was the first project of road building into which the state entered and because of the vital importance of the road M-10 work on it had to be rushed when no contractor would take it on private account. Its total cost is given as \$397,772 of which \$20,890 was for preliminary work, leaving \$376,882 for actual building costs for a pavement 8.057 miles long, averaging 9.13 inches deep and 20 feet wide. The cost per mile is given as \$46,776 which, Rogers points out, if reduced to an eighth inch thickness, would cost but \$42,815. Heavy traffic, he tells the Legislature, made the heavier pavement necessary.

Grand Trunk Settlement. The senate has passed the governor's forced Grand Trunk deal in which that road is compelled to give up its special charter obtained in 1834 and by which it escaped virtually all taxation except an annual tax of \$25,171.40. The senate vote on this was 26 to 1. Senator Bernie L. Case of Ithaca voting against it.

Under the terms laid down by the governor the Grand Trunk surrenders its present right-of-way provided between Detroit and Pontiac, accepts a right-of-way provided by the state, permits the state to pay for the acquired property and moving its tracks.

The road surrenders its special charter and will pay, in addition to the specific tax of \$25,171, the full cost to the state of the new property and rebuilding, at the rate of \$200,000 per year until the state's money is returned. Then the road agrees to come in under the general law pertaining to taxation of railroad property and will pay into the primary school fund of the state between \$300,000 and \$400,000 in taxes.

000 in taxes.

Maintenance Fund Increased. A bill introduced by Senator Orville Atwood would increase from two to four millions the annual state trunk line maintenance money and would permit the highway department to use for proper purposes a half million formerly specifically appropriated for non-trunk line and bridge maintenance work.

Under the terms of a joint resolution the bars have been let down to the introduction of about a dozen new measures or amendments if the governor acquiesces in the requests of various legislators to send in messages permitting the passage of various pet measures.

The House defeated a proposed resolution by Rep. John Holland, Gogebic, denouncing the World Court, when he sought suspension of the rules. Rep. Holland declares he will receive sufficient support before the end of the session to voice unalterable opposition to the World Court idea. Eleven members voted with him to pass his resolution.

Rebuild Mt. Pleasant.

Rep. Ernest Dexter, Mt. Pleasant, introduced a bill seeking a \$700,000 appropriation to rebuild the Central Michigan Normal building recently destroyed by fire. Reception given this measure in the house presages its passage without trouble.

MICHIGAN PEOPLE ARE AWAKENING

MUCH INTEREST SHOWN IN HANSON PINES

People of Michigan are beginning to awaken and are quite concerned over the Hanson "Pines," an 80 acre tract of virgin timber located about six miles north east of Grayling.

This magnificent stand of timber is the finest tract in Michigan and one of the finest in the whole United States. It is attracting the attention of not only our state administration but also State and National organizations, all of whom are in accord and desire that this timber should be spared and the place made into a public park where the people of the nation may view this example of Michigan's former vast and magnificent pineries.

Salling Hanson Co. who are the owners of "The Pines" have offered this tract and surrounding lands to the State for use as public park, suggesting that the cost for the same be left to an impartial investigating committee. The timber on the tract is about 80 years old and will continue to develop for the next 100 years or more.

Hardly a day passes without the owners receive letters of inquiry regarding "The Pines." A recent letter received from K. C. McMurry, chairman of the committee on conservation of the Michigan Academy of Science, Arts and Letters, of the U. of M., Ann Arbor, says in part as follows:

"This committee is greatly interested in helping stimulate interest in the acquisition and protection of unusual park and forest areas. We wish to do everything possible in promoting the consideration of acquisition of the 'Grayling Pines.' It would be a calamity were this last tract to disappear." Also in Mr. McMurry's letter he asks many questions relative to the tract, all of which, of course, was replied to by Salling Hanson Co.

A recent issue of the Detroit Free Press contained a very interesting account of "The Pines," all very handsomely illustrated from pictures actually taken at the tract, showing some of the standing timber and a portion of the East Branch of the Ausable river that flows thru the land there.

The text of the story will be published in an early issue of the Avalanche. It was written by James Clyde Gilbert a well known newspaper writer and a member of the editorial staff of the Dearborn Independent.

This tract was originally sold by the government to the "Ship Canal Co." and they later sold to Park, Wood & Co., and the latter to Salling Hanson Co., in talking over the matter with Mr. R. Hanson he remarked that at one time that region was covered with the finest forest of cork white pine that this state ever produced. "This land," he said, "should be able to in time reproduce just as excellent timber again. The soil is just right for growing pine."



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COLEGROVE-LOES EVANG. CAMPAIGN

"Bill Colegrove" the "business-man evangelist," of Grand Rapids, Mich., is in town. Having been in the clothing business for a number of years before he heard and answered the call to evangelism, the Rev. Willett S. Colegrove knows how to "suit" and "fit" people. Now, instead of selling cotton and woolen goods he is selling the "gospel." He made his first big "sale" Sunday night in the Michelson Memorial M. E. church where for three weeks he is to lead forces of righteousness in an "inventory" of the church's religious status and a revival of the "old time religion," the only kind in which he says he believes.

A large audience heard the evangelist Sunday night on the subject, "Getting Things from God." "In the Christian warfare it is not a matter of skill or politics but a glorious privilege of communicating with God to accomplish things that to us seem impossible," said Mr. Colegrove. "We need the Lord to teach us not so much how to pray but just to pray. Let us have a revival that is prayed down."

As to the belief expressed by some that there are "too many preachers in the country," the speaker declared, "There are more men killers in this country by several thousand than there are preachers and it costs more to take care of crime in the United States than it does to maintain the army and navy."

The music of the revival is in charge of Prof. Harry Dixon Loes of Three Rivers, Mich. Mr. Loes is not only an able director of singing and a pleasing soloist, but he is a noted composer of gospel songs, having written several hundred songs, a few of which appear in the book being used. A splendid choir of mixed voices assists in the singing. Two pianos are being played by Misses Shirley McNeven and Bernice McNeven.

An organization of young people from the ages of 13 to 30, known as the Win One Club has been effected. They will gather in the church at 6:30 on Sunday, Tuesday and Thursday evenings. A contest is being waged between two sides of the members. The officers of the "Gold" side are: Helen Schumann, Ella Hanson and John Kuster; and on the "Purple" side: Shirley McNeven, Margaret Hanson and Russell Robertson.

The boys and girls from 5 to 12 have been organized into Busy Bees and Willing Workers. They are meeting after school each day. Saturday night they will give a musical entertainment.

"The Half-Baked Man" is the subject of an address to be given to men only by Evangelist Colegrove Sunday afternoon at 3 p. m.

A service is held in the church every night at 7:30, except Monday, to which everybody is cordially invited.

ANNUAL MEETING OF IZAK WALTONS

The annual meeting of the Grayling Chapter Izak Walton League will be held in the Board of Trade rooms on Thursday evening, March 1 at 8:00 o'clock sharp, for the election of officers and any other business that may come before the meeting.

Now that the question of the North and South branches as fly fishing streams is settled the question arises: What are we going to do with the main stream? A good many would like to see a law limiting the size of the hook, both for fly and bait, so bring the sample of hook you would like and we will talk it over.

This will also be the time to pay the annual dues so come prepared to pay them. Delegates are to be elected for the state convention at Grand Rapids, March 17 and 18 and the national convention at Chicago on April 8, 9 and 10.

Let every member of the Chapter be present and bring a member.



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FASHION SHOW

Grayling is going to have a Fashion show next Saturday, and it is a privilege that few cities even larger than ours can enjoy. Thousands of dollars worth of the very latest styles and fashions of dresses, coats and hats will be exhibited on live models. This will be at 2:30 o'clock Saturday afternoon at the School auditorium. This is not a commercial affair, altho the Grayling Mercantile Company that is furnishing the garments, will no doubt sell quite a number of them. It is a part of this year's annual program of the Good Fellowship Club. There is no charge for admission and everyone, including the men, will be most welcome. Besides the exhibits there will be intermissions when there will be music and fancy dancing, for the entertainment of the audience. This attraction should be a real treat to the people of Grayling, especially the ladies, and the Good Fellowship Club should have the appreciation of the public for their broad minded efforts.

RAILWAY SAFETY

How largely safety has been developed for passengers for the railroad lines in this country is shown by the reports for the year 1924, when, with 931,000,000 passengers carried, there were only 149 fatalities, or one life lost for each 6,314 passengers served. Railroad managers and employees have reason for pride in the showing. It could not have been made without very great care in the planning and in operating the passenger trains.

The railway figures are far ahead of those shown in the automobile accidents for the same period, as the autos killed 19,000 people and inflicted injuries on about 450,000 others. The railway figures show the results where properties are placed only in safe hands, operated with the greatest care, under constant supervision. The auto toll of life shows the cost of permitting any person to operate a car, with no supervision, no training and no demonstrated fitness shown for the work. While the greater number of autos are in the hands of men and women who are careful in driving them, the few incompetent and reckless drivers do terrible damage to life and property.

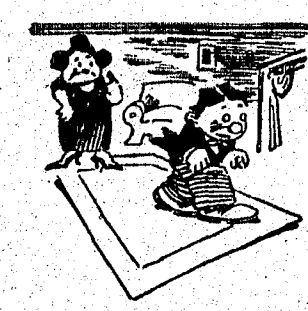
Children Herded Like Dogs.

Lenin's widow blames upon the present Soviet regime the frightful condition of children in Moscow as reported in recent newspaper dispatches, which said they roam the streets like little dogs by the militia. In a recent article, she says that the failure of present government, rather than the sins of the older regime, is to blame for their predicament.

Ship's "Eyes"

"Eyes of a ship" is a term applied to the foremost part of the bow, so called from the ancient practice which still obtains in parts of the Mediterranean and elsewhere of painting a large eye on each side of a vessel's cut-water as an emblem to avert the evil eye.

SPEEDING PARTING GUEST



Hostess—Going so soon, Mr. Parting?
Mr. Parting—No, I'm not going for at least an hour, but I have to begin to start the engine of my second-hand car.

THE LEISURE CLASS



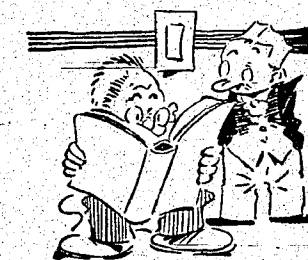
"Does he belong to the leisure class?"
"Why, man, he never used an alarm clock in his life!"

FINISHED 'EM, ALL RIGHT



Wife (in from the club)—Did you finish the dishes I left for you to wash?
Hubby (in open rebellion)—I did—threw 'em out the door!

AN EARNEST STUDENT



"Yes, sir, the more I study about this great universe of ours the less I know!"
"You must be an earnest student, indeed."

HE WAS HUNGRY



Squirrel—I hate to upset an old proverb, but it's a cinch no great oak will ever grow from this acorn.

YOU CARRY UMBRELLA—



"My friend, you should carry a smile these cold rainy days as I do."
"Great optimist, I suppose?"
"No, merely an umbrella maker, my friend."

PERFECTLY USELESS



Wife—Well, my new dress is perfectly useless.
Hubby—What! Get caught in the rain today?
Wife—Of course not! That Jones woman next door has got identically the same kind!

Medical Marvel

While they looked at a photograph thrown on a screen, representing the heart-beat of a patient, 1,500 doctors recently listened to a physician's diagnosis coming over 1,000 miles of telephone wires.

Hung

A husband and wife sat on the same jury in Kentucky and—yes, you've guessed it!—the jury disagreed.—Lafayette Lyre.

AGREE ON TAX CUT; TO PASS THIS WEEK

Slash O. K'd by Both Houses
Totals \$381,000,000—In Effect Soon.

Washington.—The conference committee representing the senate and house have reconciled their differences and reached a complete agreement on the tax reduction bill. Approval of the compromise by both houses and by President Coolidge is assured and the bill will become a law in time to give taxpayers their reductions in taxes on 1926 income, the first installment of which is due March 15 next.

Hundreds of thousands of persons will be relieved of all income taxes under the new law, and those who will continue to pay will receive reductions ranging from 25 to 75 per cent.

The new bill affords taxpayers a saving of \$381,000,000 on this year and \$343,000,000 next year.

Outstanding features of the bill as agreed on by the conferees were:

It fixes normal taxes of 1 1/2 per cent on the first \$4,000 of taxable income, 8 per cent on income between \$4,000 and \$8,000 and 5 per cent on incomes above \$8,000, as compared to the existing 2, 4 and 6 per cent rates.

It makes personal exemptions of \$1,500 for single persons and \$3,500 for married persons, as compared to existing \$1,000 and \$2,500. The increased exemptions relieve 2,350,000 persons of all federal taxes.

It grants a flat 25 per cent reduction of the net tax on earned income, with a maximum limit of \$20,000 instead of the present \$10,000.

It provides surtaxes ranging from 1 per cent at \$10,000 to a maximum rate of 20 per cent at \$100,000, as compared to the present law, which ranges from 1 per cent to a maximum of 40 per cent at \$500,000 and over.

Theater admission tickets up to 75 cents were made tax exempt. The limit in the present act was 50 cents. Automobile taxes were cut from 5 to 3 per cent.

It places the corporation earnings tax at 13 per cent on 1925 income, payable this year, divided as follows: Six and one-quarter per cent up to July 1 and 6 1/2 per cent from July to December. After this year the rate is to be 13 1/2 per cent. The present law is 12 1/2 per cent.

The capital stock and gift taxes were repealed.

Estate taxes begin at 1 per cent on estates of \$100,000 in value, graduated up to 20 per cent on estates of \$10,000,000 and over, with a credit of 80 per cent to them on taxes paid to the states.

The present law requires 1 per cent on estates of \$50,000, graduated up to 4 per cent on estates of \$10,000,000 and above, with a credit of 25 per cent.

The conferees adopted a retroactive feature applying the lower 1921 estate tax rates on all estates coming under the 1924 law.

The 25 per cent flat deduction allowed under the 1924 law was retained. This means rebates of many millions of dollars by the Treasury department.

Repeal of all income tax publicity effected by the senate and house was approved by the conferees.

Alcohol taxes were cut from \$2.20 per gallon to \$1.05, effective January 1, 1927, and to \$1.10 effective January 1, 1928.

WASHINGTON BRIEFS

Authorization of a federal radio commission of five instead of nine members, as was originally proposed, is the principal change in the new White radio bill as finally approved by the house committee on merchant marine and fisheries.

Vice President Dawes has formally opened a campaign of the American Guardian association for a \$2,000,000 fund to provide for thousands of waifs in the Philippines, whose American fathers have died or left the islands.

General Pershing has entered Walter Reed hospital to undergo a thorough physical examination and treatment that will continue for several weeks.

Another appropriation bill, the third within three days, was passed by the senate. It was the first deficiency measure, carrying a total of approximately \$425,000,000 to supplement appropriations made for this fiscal year at the last session of congress.

The house agricultural committee will open hearings March 1 on the Dickinson farm-relief bill, designed to take care of the surplus crop problem.

Miners Return to Work

Scranton, Pa.—The anthracite contract providing for a five-year wage scale has been signed and the miners have returned to work.

Closing Catholic Colleges

Mexico City.—The closing of Catholic colleges continues and the government has announced a policy enforcing provisions to the constitution which provide that all instruction in the schools of Mexico shall be non-religious.

Shoot Rioting Convicts

Salem, Ore.—Nine convicts were shot and wounded during a riot in the dining room of the Oregon state penitentiary.

Noel

The word Noel is simply a French word meaning Christmas adopted into the English language.

Pioneer Builder

Benedict Biscop, an English monk of the Seventh century, was, according to the chronicler, William of Malmesbury, "the first person who introduced in England construction of stone edifices."

Derivation of Names of Parts of Church

When you enter a place of worship, you first pass through the porch; and may then proceed to an aisle, or possibly take a seat in the nave, or near the chancel.

Porch, aisle, chancel, and nave are all queer words. Some have been built up just anyhow; others are derived from the Latin, and twisted weirdly in the process.

"Porch," for instance, is the word-child, just recognizable, of the Latin "porta," a gate. Why "ch" pushed "ta" out of it, one cannot say.

"Aisle"—the schoolboy who called this word a "wicked speller" was quite right!—is what our Saxon forbears made of "ala," a wing. An aisle, of course, is a "wing" of a church.

"Chancel" is really the "canceled" or shut-off part of a church, and its word-parent is "cancelli," meaning "lattice work."

The connection—or the excuse for the word "chancel"—lies in the fact that carved screens, or lattice work, generally divided the east end of a church from the other parts.

"Nave" is from the Latin "navis," a ship. A church in a religious sense is an ark. So—"nave!"

Found Famous Writer Had Been Before Him

The monument to Guy De Maupassant at Miremeau, Norway, recalls a story illustrating how easily unconscious literary plagiarism may be committed. Sir Arthur Conan Doyle once told a friend that, traveling in Switzerland, he came upon an inn isolated in the mountains for four months in every year. By the time he had reached the plain below he had mapped out in his mind a story in which two enemies were to be shut up in the inn for four months of isolation. At the first railway bookstall he came to one of De Maupassant's books caught his eye. He bought it and, turning to the first page, "L'Auberge" appeared as the heading of the story. The "Auberge" was his identical inn, the story was of two enemies shut up there during the winter, and the denouement the same as he had imagined.

Eskimo Theory of Death

The Eskimo theory of death is peculiar to Christian eyes, and has resulted in many tragedies. It was believed that a man had two souls, one good, one evil. When he died the good soul expected to spend eternity in bliss and comfort in a warm place underground. His bad soul was supposed to remain on the spot where the body died, a lasting, harmful influence over those who were luckless enough to encounter it. When a person became ill the medicine man was sent for. Almost always he pronounced the case hopeless. The invalid was then taken out of the igloo and placed on the snow to perish. It was a logical proceeding, for if he died indoors the igloo would have to be abandoned and sealed up forever.

Collecting Debts in 1647

Old residents of England had their own ideas of debt payment and their own methods for enforcing payment where the customer was not interested in meeting the obligation. One old method in use in 1647 was a debtor's chair, that would be placed in the office of the man to whom the debt was due. The debtor was invited to a trigger and released that clamped iron hoops about the knees of the debtor and held him helpless while the other man negotiated a settlement, and the use of the chair in enforcing payment was entirely legal and in general use.—Ohio State Journal.

First Use of Spectacles

Spectacles are of French origin. The proof of this, which is the kind that ought to be acceptable on the subject, lies in the fact that the oldest known portrait wherein spectacles appear is that of Cardinal Hugues De Provence, painted by one Thomas de Modena, which represents the prelate with the w. k. globes in front of his eyes. The fresco in the church of Saint Nicolas of Treviso, of which the portrait forms a part, is dated 1352. There it appears, in the national library at Paris an illuminated manuscript, dated 1380, which shows St. Paul wearing spectacles. One would like to know where St. Paul got the idea. He was a great traveler.

Not So Aristocratic

"How many people know that the goldfish, supposed to be the embodiment of everything-placatorially aristocratic, is nothing but a lowly member of the carp family?" asked the proprietor of a bird and animal store. "It's the truth. Some species of goldfish will grow to six or eight inches in length. These big goldfish betray their antecedents by their coarse scales. In other words, they look like carp."—Detroit News.

Little Known of Aesop

Aesop lived during the later half of the Sixth century. The exact date of birth is unknown. He was a Phrygian; not a negro. Phrygia was a country of Asia Minor. Under the Roman empire, it was bounded on the west by Mysia, Lydia and Caria; on the south by Lucania and Pisidia; on the east by Lycania and Galatia, and on the north by Bithynia. Phrygians were probably a branch of the great Thracian family.

Public Pleasure Grounds

Public parks or gardens were known from the earliest times. The Egyptians had them, as did also the Assyrians and Persians. There were a number in the various towns of ancient Greece. In Rome, in the time of the Caesars, there were 30 parks belonging to the city. During the Middle Ages little thought was given to them, but during the Renaissance man public parks were laid out in European cities.

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SYNOPSIS

CHAPTER I.—Bart Rogers, whose father is a speechless through paralysis, calls to pay an installment on a mortgage at the office of Leon Barrows, a lawyer, who tells the young man that when he lent the older Rogers money to rehabilitate his property he had taken no mortgage, but had accepted only notes which were made over to a person he could not name. This unknown benefactor, explains Barrows, does not expect further payments. Bart is informed by the lawyer that dealers seem interested in what has recently been coming up on oil property in the vicinity of Bart's holdings.

CHAPTER II.—The town election is won by Tom Jordan, who has defeated "Bull" Franniston, a sturdy bully, for mayor. Jordan, who has been a marshal, "Bull" Franniston hates Bart because of the latter's interference. Some time before, when Franniston was mistreating his daughter, Anita, she was struck on property adjacent to Bart's, but after hurrying home to tell his father, he finds the latter dead, supposedly from a paralytic stroke.

CHAPTER III.—Old Jim, Anita's father, tells Bart that he should marry Anita to save her from the sinister power which her father wields over her destiny. Jim alludes to mysterious forces which Franniston is able to exercise under his control, and begs Bart to use discretion in his relations with "Bull" Franniston and his daughter. Franniston receives the oil rights on Bart's land. Bart has been offered the job of marshal by his friend Jordan, and learns that "Bull" Franniston is going to force Anita to associate with the riff-raff that have flocked to the town.

CHAPTER IV.—Bart is summoned to Barrows' office for the reading of the will and learns that "Bull" Franniston is the mysterious stranger who befriended his father. The will contains a clause which assigns all the oil and mineral rights of Bart's land to Franniston.

CHAPTER V.—At the bank Bart sees another signed copy of the will, and realizes that the signature is genuine. Among the crowd of gamblers and other undesirable characters that arrives in town, following the discovery of oil, is one Bud Tarko, a genial, glib, ex-serviceman, who becomes friendly with Bart. The latter accepts the offer of the office of city marshal, previously made him by Mayor Jordan, and determines to drive the vicious characters out of the town.

CHAPTER VI.—Bud Tarko becomes Bart's deputy and a shell man is thrown into jail by Rogers. Franniston, who had promised protection to all gamblers, swears that he will get even. Accordingly, Tarko is assaulted behind the jail, the prisoner is set free, and the jail and city hall burn.

CHAPTER VII.—Franniston accuses Bart of "framing" Slim, the gambler whom Rogers had arrested, also of shooting an innocent bystander, and setting the jail on fire. Rogers appeals to Mayor Jordan, and that official declares his belief in his innocence and tells him he will uphold him. Bart, unable to raise the men he needs to enforce law and order, appeals to Graham, the sheriff, but Graham, who is apparently in league with Franniston and arrests Tarko, charging the latter with arson and attempted homicide.

CHAPTER VIII.—Bud Tarko is released on bail. A gambler, insulted by Rogers' interference to protect the girl, is threatened by Franniston. Old Jim intervenes and saves Bart, later telling the latter that Graham is Franniston's father, and that Graham is the girl's father, and hinting at a dark secret in his life, of which Franniston knows. Bud calls a meeting of ex-soldiers and for volunteers to help suppress the rampant immorality in Bellaine. The Legion men, practically unanimously, promise Rogers their full support in any measure he may take to clean up the town.

CHAPTER IX.—A stockade is built and Bart, with a posse, enters the house and sees Jim, who is arrested by Sheriff Graham on an old murder charge from Illinois. Mrs. Jordan tells Bart that Anita has related the reason for her arrest. It seems that many years before, Jim and a lawyer named Bartholomew had contested for the hand of the woman who became Jim's wife. Bartholomew remained friendly, but after Anita was born an anonymous letter was received by Jim casting reflections on his wife's good name, and naming another man, Jim, in a drunken stupor, then killed his wife. Mrs. Jordan also tells how Bartholomew befriended Jim and helped him to escape from jail so he could come to Bellaine, where he felt under the power of the young lawyer, who had changed his name to Barrows, and Franniston, who adopted the infant Anita.

CHAPTER X

The Sway of Justice

"It was very evident what had happened," resumed Mrs. Jordan, "drunk, he had wandered home, they had quarreled and he had killed her. Jim staggered forth, gave himself up to the first policeman he met—and confessed."

"It seems that after the arrest, Bartholomew came forward as Jim's friend and took charge of the baby, stating to the court that he was sending it out West to be adopted by a childless family. Then one night, in the darkness of the jail someone slipped a packet into his cell. It contained saws, money and an address—the name of Franniston out here in Wyoming. He sawed his way out of the comparatively flimsy jail and escaped."

A week later he presented himself to Franniston here in Bellaine and asked for a job. He was given one without question. Nothing was known to indicate that Franniston knew his real identity, nothing done to show that Franniston had the slightest idea that this man was the father of the girl to whom Franniston had given his own name, but whom he had not adopted. So the relationship began. Then, a year later, the truth dawned on Jim. Bartholomew showed up in Bellaine, under the name of Barrows. Franniston could reveal the true identity of the girl, and she would be stained with the blackness of being the daughter of a man who had killed his wife. So he had Jim in his power."

"But was anything ever said to indicate that? Was—"

"Nothing."

Bart Rogers stared at the carpet. "It was strange that the officials back East should learn of Jim's whereabouts so quickly—especially when they had been unable to find him for years. I wonder if—"

"Jim says that Graham was the jailer back in Alkonka. I suppose he was bribed to sneak the saws into the cell. Anyway, there was an investigation afterward and he lost his job. Then he came out here. So there—," concluded Mrs. Jordan. "Is the story?"

For a moment Bart stood uncertain, looking dully out the window, at the creek-like horses which had been piled on the front veranda. Then, with a sudden resolve, he hurried up the stairway and to the doorway of the room Anita was in.

"It's Bart," he announced when her faint answer had come to his knock. "Bart Rogers. May I talk to you a moment?"

Assent came from within. Bart opened the door, and walked impulsively to the quiet, white-faced girl by the window.

"I just wanted to tell you that I've heard—the whole thing," he blurted.

"I've heard—the whole thing," he blurted.

"And that I don't care who your father is or what he's done or—anything of the kind! That'll help you in any way you say and that I—I'm proud to know you as if you were—were a queen!"

Then just as suddenly as he had spoken, he was silent again, with a strange, boyish bashfulness. A second more and he had closed the door behind him and was hurrying down the hall, seething inwardly at his cowardice—for Bart, as he had hurried up the stairs, had intended to tell her something far more important—at least to him!

When the streets of Bellaine became ablaze again with the torches and gasoline flames of their illicit occupants, it was with a surcharged air of uncertainty that appeared to pervade everything. Bart learned the reason.

It was in the figure of a big man who rolled down the center of the sidewalk, a bundle about his head, his gut and his expression evidence of the fact that the state of intoxication begun the day before had not been allowed to wane.

"What they goin' to do with a barbed wire fence, huh?" he sneered as some frightened concessionaire approached him. "Answer me that. Put that fat-headed mayor and his tin-horn marshal in it, so we can look at the monkeys. That's all. Forget it—I told you that I'd see you were all right, didn't I?"

"Bull" Franniston had come out in the open. No longer was there any concealment about the fact that it was he who formed the bulwark upon which rested the hopes of Bellaine's unwelcome contingent. But Bart walked on, knowing that many men awaited his command at the mayor's house.

"They came forth seemingly from a hundred places about the house as he reached the veranda and made himself known to the sentry stationed there. A moment later Bud Tarko, appearing taller and slimmer than ever in the shadows, slid forth, and in muffled tones began the giving of commands.

"Aw-right, you fellows. Don't wait for no orders. Jam a clip o' cartridges in them cannons and fix them bayonets. I've run out o' commands. Hear me? Fix them bayonets!"

They soon were on the main street, marching toward town, the reflected lights gleaming on their affixed bayonets, the rifles clacking softly with the jar of the steady pace. A block more and Bart brought his company to a halt. Five minutes later, split up into three segments, the work of the night was on.

In the dance halls, pianos ceased suddenly to bang as determined appearing men showed themselves in the doorways, closed the places of exit, and began to sift the crowds for the persons they sought.

The stockade began to fill. Bart sought the mayor.

"We'll have to start getting rid of this crowd," he announced. "This place'll be jammed in a minute. Don't

you believe you'd better start court?"

The mayor grinned and turned to two of his men. "Get me a table somewhere and condense a couple of those gasoline torches. We're going to start building a new city hall!"

Court proceedings were simple: "Guilty or not guilty?" "Not guilty, your honor."

"All right. Go back there in the stockade and think it over." Then he cocked his head toward the heavens. "Sorry we haven't got a roof there. Looks a little like rain."

"Er—er—guilty, your honor." "Thanks. Always liked honesty. Just for that, I'll let you off with a hundred and costs. Pay the gentleman with the six-shooter here and get out of town on the 122."

"Yes, sir, your honor." "Thank you for the donation. We'll put your name in the corner-stone of the new city hall and jail. Mr. Clerk, call the next case!"

Bart laughed, joyously and happily, and moved on. But at the corner he halted.

Up in the office of "Bull" Franniston a lamp was burning. Two men were there—Bart could not see their forms—but the shadows against the back wall and ceiling were evident. It was "Bull" Franniston and the man who cared to be known to the world only as Leon Barrows.

Plainly, from the shadows, the men were quarreling.

"Give me back that memorandum!" shouted "Bull." "Hear me? Give me back that memorandum!"

A second's pause, while the other man apparently pleaded for restraint. "Bull" flung wide his arms.

From across the street Bart Rogers saw the great form lurch forward. A big hand went out to grasp about the standard of the old oil lamp. Then with another cursing demand, the giant form of "Bull" Franniston swerved forward, the lamp swinging high over his head as he raised it to send it crashing toward his unseen visitor. Higher, higher went the flaming thing, farther, traveled the lever-like arm as it summoned every atom of its strength, then—

A crash! A popping, puffing explosion. A roar which turned suddenly to an agonized scream. The lamp had traveled too far to the rear. The hand of "Bull" Franniston had crashed it against the wall, and now he stood, a transfixed thing of screaming, horrible fear, while the burning oil enveloped him in a creeping mantle of death!

"Blankets!" Bart Rogers roared the order as he raced across the street. "Blankets—canvases—anything!"

A careening test of a deserted "dollar" stood near by where its owner had left it to travel to the stockade. One great wrench and Bart had torn half its side away, and leaping up the stairs, crashed against the locked door of "Bull" Franniston's office. The ancient bolt broke under the pressure; an instant later Bart tumbled into the room, to rush toward the writhing, flame-wrapped being which struggled against the wall on the other side of the room. Barrows was gone—a glance toward an open window leading to a lower roof told Bart the method of exit.

He finally succeeded in enveloping Bull's head and shoulders in the heavy cloth. A second more and steps sounded on the stairs. Bart, struggling to evade and fight the flames at the same time, turned excitedly.

"Quick, men!" he shouted, "hold that stuff in front of you—and rush him!"

They finally succeeded in smothering the flames and the parts of the room that were ablaze. Then Bart turned to the injured man. His face was swollen and distorted, his hands clutched and grasped in agony. Mumbling words came disjointedly from his blackened lips.

"He's got the combination—he's got the combination—," then, slowly, gaspingly, "Bull" Franniston lapsed into unconsciousness. Bart Rogers rose to unconsciousness.

"Try to make some sort of a stretcher out of these blankets," he ordered. "Then carry him up to the hotel and get a doctor as quick as you can. I'm afraid he's done for."

Bart followed the careful litter carriers to a corner a block away. But there he averted, and calling a stranger from an arresting detachment as it passed, he drew him aside.

"Come with me," he ordered briskly, and, edging across the street, sidled to the stairway of Franniston's building. Bart crept up the stairs and into the shadows of the office.

"Take that corner over there," he commanded. "Don't move until I give the order." His aide crawled cautiously to the blackness of a cubby-hole formed by the jutting end of a desk. A closet was near by. Bart entered it, leaving the door half open. Then he prepared to wait—how long, or for whom he did not know. An hour passed, while the street outside gradually quieted and the sharp, barking orders of raiding Legion men grew fewer and fewer. After a long time the night train whistled in, and remained at the station far past its usual departing time—all for the good reason that men and women, convinced at last that their presence no longer was desired, were departing by the wholesale for other fields, where, perhaps, they might be welcomed. It brought a sense of relief to Bart Rogers, a sense of victory and of—

Of tenacity! For with the "train" whistle of the engine as the train left the little station, there came a scraping sound at the rear of the long office, followed by the stealthy form of a tall, thin man as he clambered over the window ledge and crept toward the safe!

CHAPTER XI

"Bull" Confesses

A muttered curse came from the shadowy figure that had entered, then, consulting a memorandum, he resumed his task of robbery.

The flashlight was laid on the floor of the safe, as both hands were occupied in holding, for the moment, the desired thing, found at last. After that, the paper was folded and jammed into a pocket, the flashlight was extinguished; the man rose and—

"Up with your hands!" Bart had leaped from the closet and was covering the shadowy form with his revolver. From the other corner of the room the aide came forth, his rifle leveled. "Up with 'em, Barrows!"

The man in the shadows whirled. He dodged and twisted, then with one writhing leap made for the window. Bart's finger cramped on the trigger. There was a flash of yellow flame and then the wriggling form of a man on the floor. Across the room the legionnaire had lowered his rifle, and, his bayonet ready for action, had raced to a position in front of the wounded man.

"Stop that crawling or I'll run you through with this bayonet!" Mr. Rogers! Come here, quick! He's trying to stuff something into his mouth! He's trying to swallow something!"

Quickly Bart went forward, clapping his revolver and stunning the fallen man with a sharp blow. Leon Barrows sank motionless and Bart straddled him, both hands prying at the tight, clenched jaws, to free the paper enclosed there. A moment later he gained his objective and rose.

"Help me get him to the hotel," he ordered. "It'll be easier if we do it before he regains consciousness."

The aide obeyed. Ten minutes later, stretched upon a bed of the hotel, Leon Barrows opened his eyes to find a doctor, summoned from the room of "Bull" Franniston, examining the bullet-fractured ankle. At the other end of the room Bart Rogers was reading a crumpled paper:

AGREEMENT

Bellaine, Wyo.

July 8, 1921.

"In consideration and in payment for the transfer of certain oil properties, rights and privileges underlying the land contained in the northwest quarter of section 64, township 8, range 74, said land known as the Rogers ranch, the undersigned, Leon Barrows, does hereby agree and promise to pay Egbert Franniston of Bellaine, Wyo., the sum of \$100,000.00 (one hundred thousand dollars) upon the satisfactory evidences of the presence of oil, and agrees also, in consideration of the transfer of these rights, to deliver to the said Egbert Franniston any and all letters, papers and incriminating evidence of whatsoever sort implicating him in the deaths of Martha O. Morrison of Springfield, Ohio, and Franklin Rogers of Bellaine, Wyo."

"What's this mean?" Bart asked in a voice suddenly hoarse. "What's—"

"It's all a lie. He made me sign that thing—I don't even know what it's all about!"

"Stop that talking!"

For Bart's steady gaze had again centered upon the crumpled lines of typewriting:

"As a guarantee of the above, I, Leon Barrows, at one time known as Mason Bartholomew, hereby declare and affirm that I am equally guilty with Egbert Franniston in the deaths of the persons above stated, and that this statement is made to assure the said Egbert Franniston that the information in my possession shall not be used against him for the purpose of defrauding him of the rights and privileges of the above-mentioned lands to be obtained under the will of Franklin Rogers, or to avoid payment of the guaranteed \$100,000.00 as above stated."

"Signed, this 8th day of July, 1921. 'LEON BARROWS'."

"You killed my father!" Bart's voice was hoarse, unnatural. The thin hands of Leon Barrows writhed in terror.

"I did not, I'm telling you! I did not! He made me sign that thing—I was afraid of him—"

"I'll see about that myself. Give me the combination of that safe. Be quick about it—otherwise, I'll go through it with an acetylene torch!"

The teeth of Leon Barrows suddenly began to chatter.

"It's—it's all a lie."

"Very well, then, prove it. Are you going to give me the combination to that safe?"

"Six—," the man was staring at the ceiling and talking between dry, white lips—"one turn to the left to four, then twice around—"

"Wait a minute. Mark that down, will you, doctor?"

"I've already gotten it."

"Good. Go ahead."

When he had the combination Bart ran out, and over to the office of Leon Barrows. It was locked, but the shoulder of Bart Rogers was strong with a new strength. One lunge and the door yielded. He went to the safe. An hour later—

The room of "Bull" Franniston was dim with its shielded light—and with approaching death.

"Bull," he said quietly, "I've gotten hold of your confession."

"My what?"

"Your confession to the murder of old Jim's wife back in Illinois and to the killing of my father. I caught Barrows stealing it out of your safe."

"He worked the combination, eh?" The whisper came with a great effort—an effort that was heightened by a sudden hate. "What's—what's—he say?"

"That you forced him into making that agreement with you; that you threatened to kill him, and—"

"Did he say anything about the cyanide—?" The man strove to rise, and dropped panting back to his pillow—"the cyanide that he bought for me to give to give to Rogers? Eh? Look it up. Make 'em show their poison book at the White Cross store in Cheyenne. That's where he got it—he'd have to sign for it. You'll find his writing—even if he used a false name—Did he say anything about—"

"Cyanide?" Bart had motioned the doctor closer that he might serve as a witness. "What was it for?"

"For—Rogers, I told you."

"You killed him, then?"

"Barrows—and I—yes. I did it actually. But he was the man who—"

"When?"

"The afternoon the oil came in. I telephoned—telephoned Barrows. He—he said you were in town and to go—to go ahead. I hurried to the house—and—and made him swallow a five-grain capsule. He—he hardly moved."

Bart Rogers, white, trembling with the surprise of the confession, rubbed

a hand slowly over his eyes.

"Then—you'd planned for this—this oil?"

"Yes—Barrows. He knew the geologist."

"And you tricked my father into making that will?"

"He thought—he thought it was a mortgage. We got him to sign, it was after he had his first stroke, and then dated it back three weeks. He could still use his right hand then—and we held it for him to sign. His eyes were bad. He could hardly see. We cut off a mortgage blank an inch from the bottom and magnetized—magnetized the paper with the will on—with the will on it—on the other—other side. It's easier to sound. Friction, you—you know. Any—any kid can do it. He thought he was signing—signing the mortgage. He signed the will. His eyes—his eyes you know. Barrows did it all—he framed—he framed every bit of it."

"Then it was trickery?"

"What else—what else do you suppose?"

"There was a copy of it in his safety box."

"Ransom—Ransom the clerk—was in on the deal. I stole the old man's key long enough for him to open the box. He used—to work for Barrows. It cost—cost \$1,000."

"And the signatures—?"

"Graham's been—been one of our bunch—ever since he came out here after the—the Morrison trouble."

"Send—send for the district attorney?" Bull ordered. "Send—send for him. I'll tell the truth!"

It was late the next morning that Bart Rogers tired, yet strong, with a nervous energy which recognized neither fatigue nor sleeplessness, stood in the living room of the Jordan home anxiously awaiting a step on the stair.

He had won. The town of Bellaine was a town once more, and not a blemish. Those of its unwelcome population who were not in the stockade and departed, poorer and wiser—to spread the word that the rifles and bayonets of the American Legion, in line of duty, would protect the good name and cleanliness of a model oil town, Bellaine. Locked in the back was some forty thousand, garnered in fines which had run all the way from a hundred to a thousand dollars, depending upon the viciousness of the human coyotes who, at last, had found their way into the trap of the law. It meant a new city hall, a new jail—and more worth-while appropriation to support the city police force which would succeed Bart Rogers. His work was done—now, besides, out where he once had labored, on the ranch, a fortune awaited him, returned to its rightful owner through the confession of a dying murderer. Over in Minnington, a sheriff's chair was vacant, as was the post of a safety-box clerk in the bank. Both now reposed in the stockade, their first stop on the long journey that was to end—in company with the lean-faced Barrows—when the heavy gates changed behind them upon their entrance to Rawlins penitentiary. And it was with this knowledge, this security of thought that Bart Rogers awaited the sound of the step on the stair. A moment later he moved toward the door, his hands extended, his eyes beaming.

"I've got a bit of good news for you, Anita. They've—let Jim go. The district attorney just telephoned me that he's quashed a frame-up charge against Tarko and that he'd gotten a telegram from Illinois that the old indictment against your father had been destroyed. He wasn't guilty."

The girl sighed—the quiet, heartfelt sigh of a woman from whose shoulders had fallen a tremendous, galling load. Bart went on.

"Barrows confessed, too, about an hour ago. There wasn't anything else for him to do after the district attorney had read him 'Bull's' statement. It's rather a nephisto-like story in revenge. He was your mother's suitor—Bartholomew."

"Yes, Mr. Jordan—"

"His apparent friendship had been a mask. When—when you were born, he thought that he saw a chance to cause trouble and sent that anonymous letter. He hadn't looked for anything more than to disrupt the happiness of your father and mother. Then, that afternoon he heard your father was drinking and that he had bought a revolver. Then the whole, gressome, horrible scheme came into his head—and it worked!"

"You mean—"

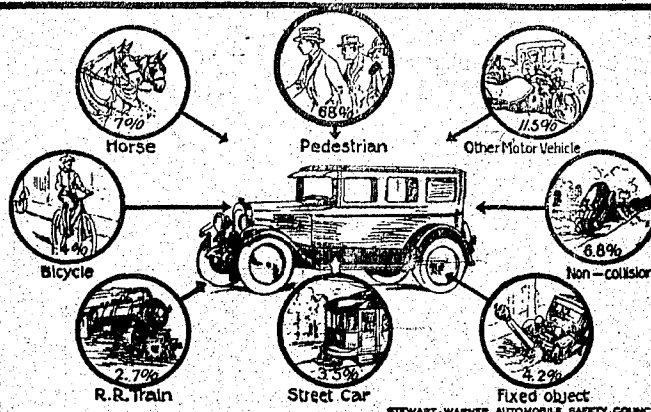
"Franniston was a gangster, an ex-convict whom Bartholomew had been protecting. He got into communication with him and bribed him. Then he inveigled your father to his house—and the drinks which he gave him, contained chloral. Your father went to sleep in the house of Bartholomew, not to awaken until he found himself in a half-stupor in his own home, with his revolver clutched in his hand, one chamber empty, and your mother still in death. 'Bull' Franniston had taken him there—and 'Bull' Franniston had fired the shot. Into the sleeping man's hand he put the revolver and thereby condemned a man to the belief that he was a murderer."

"The fiend!"

"No"—Bart shook his head—"he was only a brute. The fiend was the man who worked on your father's fears and your father's imagination until he instilled into his mind the desire to escape. The fiend was the man who arranged the jail break, then who saw that your father was transported to the place where 'Bull' Franniston had taken refuge, out here in Wyoming. The fiend was the man who followed, who changed his name, who leered and sneered at a man who was forced to go through life, believing himself a murderer, unable to reveal his own identity to his own daughter, even while he watched that daughter, mistreated, insulted, beaten by a brute, knowing that the moment he objected, the moment he rebelled against the earthly inferno into which he would be thrust, not only he would be condemned as a wife-slayer, but his daughter branded as the child of a murderer. And that fiend was Bartholomew, better known as Attorney Leon Barrows!"

The small hands of the girl clenched. She walked silently to the window. At last—

Pedestrian Greatest Victim of Automobile Accidents



THE PEDESTRIAN is the greatest sufferer in automobile fatalities, according to records analyzed by the Stewart-Warner Safety Council for the prevention of automobile accidents. No complete record is available for the United States as a whole, but a report based on 3,023 auto fatalities occurring in the first seven months of 1923, covering a population of thirty-one million, is significant. Two thousand of these 3,023 fatalities have been classified according to type. Sixty-eight per cent of the victims were pedestrians, 11.5 occurred with another motor vehicle; 7 per cent with horse vehicles, 4.2 with fixed objects such as lamp-posts, 3.5 per cent with street cars, 2.7 with railway trains and 1.4 per cent with bicycles. The remaining 6.8 per cent involved no collision. The small proportion involving railway trains is encouraging and doubtless due to the gradual abolition of unguarded grade crossings. The menace to the pedestrian, however, is alarming, and calls for greater care on his part in crossing streets and on the drivers for more careful driving.

Good Printing "Try Our Service" Crawford Avalanche

"Poor old Jim." Bart moved closer to her. "We'll try to make it up to him—Anita."

"I—I—hope so, Bart."

He touched her arm.

"Old Jim told me something one night—just before I was robbed of the power—to try to carry out what he gave me the hope of doing. He told me that he—help me, I wish—"

And Bart laughed—"that he'd hurry back and start helping."

Then it was Anita Morrison smiled, as she half turned from the window.

"Do you think you need his help, Bart?" she asked.

"I—I—" Bart Rogers, suddenly impulsive, ceased to ask questions. A moment later a form, unobserved by the two within, passed the window, turned, paused, and returned, the elongated, lanky, freckled Bud Tarko, who stood scratching his head for a moment, then leaned suddenly forward.

"For the love of Mike—break!" he ordered. "Don't you know them ten-minute kisses is barred?"

[THE END.]

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	New Price	Old Price
Tudor	\$520	\$580
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Touring	\$310	\$290
Runabout	\$290	\$260

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Left-Hand Drive—Originally introduced by Henry Ford on the Model T car in 1908 and since adopted for most American-made cars.

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Planetary Transmission—Costs more to build than the conventional sliding gear type but gives better light car control.

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"We have never lowered the quality of the car to reduce the price"

Ford

Farm Bureau Notes

R. D. BAILEY County Agricultural Agent



Seed, Lime and Fertilizer.

SEED. To all the handicaps that we must meet, let's not add that of poor seed. We have trouble enough without adding poor seed to the list. Our yields will be small enough without our trying to hold them down by use of poor or unadapted seed.

We Should Be Interested in These Seeds.

OATS. Most of us need to start using good, vigorous seed oats. We need more grain. We need more straw. These will be secured thru use of certified seed oats, not so nearly run out as ours. The Wolverine is the right oat for us. Let's get some good, certified Wolverine seed, raised on heavy land by members of the Michigan Crop Improvement Association. Let's sow these oats, with alfalfa or sweet clover, on last year's heavily manured corn ground that was kept clean, at rate of one bushel of oats per acre (to give alfalfa and sweet clover a chance) with two bags of acid phosphate per acre. Don't forget the phosphate.

This fertilizer does not cost much—\$26.40 a ton if taken direct from the car, otherwise, \$1.75 per bag of 125 pounds. You get your fertilizer money back through increase in straw. You get it back again through increase in grain. You get it back again through increase in hay crop started with the oats. Actually better than putting the cost of fertilizer in the bank.

CORN. Why are we so much afraid of corn? Many of us seem to be. Look at the dinky little patches where good, big fields need to be. We can grow good corn here. Corn gives us a greater tonnage of feed per acre than anything else we can raise. Why not raise more corn and buy less hay? Corn alone is not enough, of course; we need more hay; but, use of more corn fodder would save us from buying so much hay.

Fine, bright corn fodder, with plenty of roots will go a long way in getting idle horses through the winter.

Almost any farmer among us could use more corn fodder for his cows. Too much straw and marsh hay in our rations.

Instead of five acres of corn let's have ten.

Good stands of corn come from good seed. There is not much good seed in this county. Bad fall for curing seed corn.

Don't Depend Upon a Squint.

A lot of farmers are going to do as usual—look at the seed corn and say: "I guess that's all right." Takes a wise guy to judge seed corn in that way. Better "Test, Don't Guess."

Poor place to test seed corn in the field by waiting to see which grows and which does not. We keep getting older all the time. Who wants to shoot in a year on half crops? Who wants to plow, plant and cultivate a field to reap a half crop. Yet, some of the seed corn specialists say that some seed corn is testing as low as 20 per cent, germination even tho the corn looks all right.

Buy of Those Who Guarantee

Seed corn bot of a farmer, carries no guarantee. Last fall was one of the worst known for saving seed corn. That October freeze fixed it.

A farmer may have had good corn for 30 years, yet slip up on seed saved last fall.

Buy of those who make a business of seed corn and who made a business of saving seed corn last fall. There are such.

There are seed corn men who gather seed ears from the standing stalk, dry it, with no two ears touching, in a special drying house, heated with furnace and equipped with a revolving fan to drive out moisture.

They then test every ear and sell on the basis of known germination. We pay for their skill and labor, and get off cheap at that.

That's the kind for me. I hope it is the kind for you.

Don't Pinch the Pennies

Every time seed corn reaches \$3 a bushel, or over, there are some who throw a fit.

Seed corn at \$6 a bushel is cheap. Did you ever think how many acres a bushel of shelled corn will plant? It will plant at least six acres. Some make it plant eight. Suppose it plants six. With seed at \$6 a bushel, seed is only a dollar an acre. Your seed costs more than that and you think nothing of it.

Get While the Getting is Good

The writer has recently examined numerous offers of seed corn. The price of practically all, with guaranteed germination back of them, is \$7 to \$7.50 a bushel. That's not bad, is it? Only a dollar and a quarter an acre. Think of the kind on an acre of good corn, no hills missing!

Corn specialists who gave me prices recently, now write that certain varieties are gone, and the others going fast. So I say: "Get while the getting is good."

Don't Expect George To Do It

Don't expect someone here to invest in corn and other seed now and to carry it in hope that you will come running to buy a few quarts a few days before you want to plant. No one is going to do it.

Every year we see certain ones running hither and yon, looking for seed corn.

Kind To Plant

To fill a silo, plant a kind that will mature here. Don't think that just because it is for a silo that any old variety of corn will do. Two-thirds the nutrients of corn are in the ear; one-third, in the stalk. Fill silos with well-cured corn. Golden Glow is good.

For Grain, Mercer Flint, Longleaf Flint, Northwestern Dent, Smut Nose, Minnesota No. 13, are good here. Sometimes Golden Glow ripens.

Elmer Ostrander reports one of the best crops that he ever raised was last year with Minnesota No. 13.

Shines With Corn

Here's where fertilizer shines—in raising corn. Buy a complete fertilizer, if you can—one containing nitrogen, acid phosphate and potash. If you cannot spare the money for that,

use acid phosphate—three bags to the acre—sowed on and dragged in before planting.

If You Have the Land

Those who have the relentless determination to succeed will not only put on the three bags per acre, but will stab in some more phosphate with the hand corn planter, six to eight inches from the hill. On both sides is better yet. A bag of phosphate will probably stab your whole crop.

Don't be afraid to slap three bags right on. They will not be wasted. When corn is knee high the roots meet or pass between the rows. Fertilizer, liberally used, makes corn larger and mature earlier. That's what we need—earlier maturity. Fertilizer will do it. What phosphate is not used by the corn this year will be there to help the oats and alfalfa that follow the corn.

Clover Seed

There is not much clover in the county. This is because of lack of lime, infertile soil and use of unadapted seed.

"Unadapted" seed means seed that grew in Italy or some similar place, is brot here in tens of millions of pounds by unscrupulous dealers because they get it cheap. It has been found worthless as far south as the Agricultural college of West Virginia and in central Indiana. It has about as much chance here as a canary bird at the North pole.

Some buy it unknowingly, because it is mixed with better seed.

Some buy it because they think it clever to buy "cheap." It sometimes starts to grow all right. It has generally winter killed by next spring.

"Adapted" seed means clover, alfalfa and sweet clover seed that grew in some of these northern states with hard winter.

The Michigan State Farm Bureau has been specializing in adapted clover and alfalfa seed, telling where it grew, percentage of purity, percentage of germination, number of weed seed if any, number of noxious weed seed per pound, if any.

This kind of guarantee has made some old-line seed houses squirm, believe me.

One seed house can not sell seed of desirable quality much cheaper than another.

Look with suspicion on those who offer clover, alfalfa or sweet clover seed much below standard prices.

Clover seed, suited to our needs here, should cost you about \$2.15 a bushel, plus freight.

Timothy. Please forget it. Calling the feed value of timothy 3, the value of clover is 7, and that of alfalfa, 11.

Alfalfa. We need hundreds of acres of alfalfa sowed in this county this spring. It is almost hay and grain together. Cows soon show its value in the milk pail. Why should we be so slow in growing it? It can be grown on any farm in the county. Use the best northern-grown certified Grimm alfalfa seed. To-day it is \$25 a bushel. Use ten pounds per acre. Put in with lime and inoculation it lasts. I know where to get seed at \$12 a bushel. I would not give it \$100 on my farm if you furnished it free.

In every case in this county I have insisted on certified, northern-grown Grimm, and results support my case. I shall not let down the bars, just to get more to try alfalfa, by advocating or consenting to cheap seed.

Sweet clover is, today, \$6.60 a bushel scattered and reckoned.

Sweet clover makes splendid pasture; needs as much lime as alfalfa; will grow on scant fertility. Often grown before alfalfa to improve the soil for alfalfa.

Use 10 to 12 pounds per acre. Inoculate.

READY TO HELP.

As in the years past, during which we have brought in so much good seed, the writer is ready to assist in finding seed of quality, suited to this county.

I will willingly do this for anyone in the county whether a friend or foe. I want to see the county filled with good seed.

Office Open Post Office

Please call at my office soon and talk over your seed needs. Prices

quoted above will probably soon rise as spring approaches.

Yesterday a man asked me to help him get one and one-half bushels of best Grimm alfalfa seed. He is a poor man too, but such a choice of seed is going to give him a start away from poverty of pocket, and away from poverty of soil.

Next Week.

Will have something to say about lime and fertilizer.

TO THE OWNER OR OWNERS OF ANY AND ALL INTERESTS IN OR LIENS UPON THE LAND HEREIN DESCRIBED:

Take notice that sale has been lawfully made of the following described land for unpaid taxes thereon, and that the undersigned has title thereunder to tax deed or deeds issued therefor, and that you are entitled to a re-conveyance thereof at any time within six months after return of service of this notice upon payment to the undersigned or to the register in chancery of the county in which the lands lie, of all sums paid upon such purchase, together with one hundred per centum additional thereto, and the fees of the sheriff for such service or cost of publication of this notice, to be computed as upon personal service of a declaration as commencement of suit, and the further sum of five dollars for each description, without other additional costs or charges. If payment as aforesaid is not made, the undersigned will institute proceedings for possession of the land.

Description: Lot Nineteen, Block One, Oak Hill Park, according to the plat thereof, Crawford County, Michigan.

Amount paid: Two dollars and twenty-six cents, taxes for year 1921.

KENNETH C. WEBER, Plaintiff.

Place of business: McPherson State Bank Bldg., Howell, Michigan. 1-28-4

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Description: Lot Eleven, Block One, Oak Hill Park, according to the plat thereof, Crawford County, Michigan.

Amount paid: Three dollars and thirty-four cents. Taxes for year 1921.

KENNETH C. WEBER, Plaintiff.

Place of business: McPherson State Bank Bldg., Howell, Michigan. 1-28-4

NOTICE OF MORTGAGE SALE

Default having been made in the payment of a certain mortgage executed by Joseph F. Beach and May Beach to Frank Smith, which mortgage was recorded in the office of the register of deeds of Crawford County, Michigan, on October 18th, 1924 in Liber I of mortgages on page 379, which mortgage was dated October 11, 1924. On which mortgage there is now due for principal, interest and taxes the sum of three hundred thirty-eight dollars and eighty-five cents (\$338.85) and attorney's fee as stipulated in said mortgage, and no suit or proceedings having been instituted at law to recover the debt now claimed to be due on said mortgage or any part thereof. Therefore the said mortgage will be foreclosed by sale of the premises hereinafter described by virtue of the power of the said contained in said mortgage, which sale will be made by public auction at the front door of the Court House in the Village of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan (that being the place where the Circuit Court for the County of Crawford is held) on the thirteenth day of February, 1926, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, which premises described in said mortgage is as follows:

The west half of southwest quarter (W 1/2 of SW 1/4) of section eight (8), town twenty-five (25), north, range three west (3W),

Dated November 18, 1925.

FRANK SMITH, Mortgagee.

Merle F. Nellist, Attorney for Mortgagee, Grayling, Michigan. 11-19-13

STATE OF MICHIGAN

The Probate Court for the County of Crawford.

In the matter of the Estate of David Malafant, Grayling, Michigan, Deceased.

Notice is hereby given that 4 months from the 16th day of January A. D. 1926 have been allowed for creditors to present their claims against said deceased to said court for examination and adjustment, and that all creditors of said deceased are required to present their claims to said court, at the probate office, in the Village of Grayling in said county, on or before the 17th day of May A. D. 1926 and that said claims will be heard by said court on Monday the 17th day of May A. D. 1926, at ten o'clock in the forenoon.

Dated January 16th A. D. 1926.

A true Copy.

George Sorenson, Judge of Probate.

1-21-3

VILLAGE ELECTION

Notice is hereby given to the qualified electors of the Village of Grayling, State of Michigan.

That the next ensuing Annual Election will be held at the Town Hall within said Village, on

MONDAY, MARCH 8, A. D. 1926

At which time the following officers are to be elected, viz:

1 Village President.

1 Village Clerk.

1 Village Treasurer.

3 Village Trustees for 2 years.

1 Village Trustee to fill vacancy for one year.

1 Assessor.

The Polls will be open from 7:00 A. M. to 5:00 P. M. on above day. Dated this 10th day of February, A. D. 1926.

CHRIS JENSON, Clerk for said Village. 2-11-4

Registration Notice

To the qualified electors of the Village of Grayling, State of Michigan:

Notice is hereby given that in conformity with Act 126, Public Acts of 1917, I, the undersigned Village clerk, will upon any day except Sunday and a legal holiday, or the day of any regular or special election or official primary election, receive for registration the name of any legal voter in said Village not already registered who may apply to me personally for such registration, or who may make application for registration by mail or messenger, as provided by Act 7, of Public Acts of 1919, except that I can receive no names for registration during the time intervening between the Second Saturday before any general or special election or official primary election and the day of such election.

FEB. 27, 1926—LAST DAY For General Registration for Election March 8th, 1926.

All electors not already registered and intending to vote at said election, should make application to me on or before the 27th day of February, A. D. 1926.

Notice is further given that I will be at the Court House, County Clerk's Office, on Feb. 20, Feb. 27, 1926; from 8 o'clock a. m. until 8 o'clock p. m. on each said day for the purpose of receiving the registration and registering of the qualified electors in said Village as shall appear and apply therefor.

The name of no person but an actual resident of the precinct at the time of registration and entitled under the constitution, if remaining such resident, to vote at the next election shall be entered in the registration book.

CHRIS JENSON, Clerk.

1-21-3

STATE OF MICHIGAN

The Circuit Court for the County of Crawford, in Chancery.

Kosanna B. Case, Plaintiff

vs.

Earl A. Case, Defendant.

Suit pending in the Circuit Court for the County of Crawford, in Chancery, on the 11th day of January, A. D. 1926.

It is satisfactorily appearing to the Court by affidavit on file that the whereabouts of the defendant, Earl A. Case is unknown, on motion of Merle F. Nellist, attorney for plaintiff, it is ordered that the defendant, Earl A. Case cause his appearance to be entered in this cause within three months from the date of this order, and in case of his appearance that he cause his answer to the Plaintiff's Bill of Complaint to be filed and a copy thereof to be served upon the plaintiff's attorney within twenty days after service on him of a copy of said bill and notice of this order, and that in default thereof, that said bill be taken as confessed by said defendant.

And it is further ordered that within twenty days after the date hereof, the said plaintiff cause this order to be published in the Crawford Avalanche, a newspaper printed, published and circulated in said County of Crawford, and that such publication be continued once each week for six successive weeks, or that she cause a copy of this order to be served personally on said defendant, at least twenty days before the time above prescribed for his appearance.

Dated January 11, 1926.

GUY E. SMITH, Circuit Judge.

MERLE F. NELLIST, Attorney for Plaintiff.

Business Address, Grayling, Michigan. 1-28-6

STATE OF MICHIGAN

The Circuit Court for the County of Crawford, in Chancery.

William Brado, Plaintiff

vs.

Ida M. Brado, Defendant.

Suit pending in the Circuit Court for the County of Crawford, in Chancery, on the 11th day of January, A. D. 1926.

It is satisfactorily appearing to this Court by affidavit on file that the whereabouts of the defendant, Ida M. Brado is unknown, on motion of Merle F. Nellist, attorney for Plaintiff, it is ordered that the said defendant, Ida M. Brado, cause her appearance to be entered in this cause within three months from the date of this order, and in case of her appearance that she cause her answer to the plaintiff's Bill of Complaint to be filed and a copy thereof to be served upon the plaintiff's attorney within twenty days after service on her of a copy of said bill, and notice of this order, and that in default thereof that said bill be taken as confessed by said defendant.

And it is further ordered that within twenty days after the date hereof, the said plaintiff cause this order to be published in the Crawford Avalanche, a newspaper printed, published and circulated in said County of Crawford, and that such publication be continued once in each week for six successive weeks, or that he cause a copy of this order to be served personally on said defendant, at least twenty days before the time above prescribed for her appearance.

Dated January 11, 1926.

GUY E. SMITH, Circuit Judge.

MERLE F. NELLIST, Attorney for Plaintiff.

Business Address, Grayling, Michigan. 1-28-6

STATE OF MICHIGAN

The Circuit Court for the County of Crawford

Corporation Supply Company,

An Illinois Corporation, Plaintiff,

vs.

Ellis C. Talmadge, Defendant.

To Whom It May Concern:

Take notice that on the 20th day of November A. D. 1925, a writ of attachment was duly issued out of the Circuit Court of Crawford County at the suit of Corporation Supply Company, an Illinois corporation, the above named plaintiff against the lands, tenements, goods and chattels, money and effects of Ellis C. Talmadge, the defendant above named, for the sum of \$2189.23, which said return was returnable on the 31st day of December A. D. 1925.

Dated January 28th, 1926.

MERLE F. NELLIST, Attorney for Plaintiff.

Business address, Grayling, Michigan. 1-28-6

STATE OF MICHIGAN, The Probate Court for the County of Crawford.

At a session of said court, held at the probate office in the Village of Grayling, in said county, on the 11th day of February, A. D. 1926.

Present: Hon. George Sorenson, Judge of Probate.

In the Matter of the Estate of John O. Goudrow, deceased.

Helen J. Blom, Sec. and Treas. of Herold, Bertsch Shoe Company having filed in said court her petition praying that the administration and settlement of said estate be granted to Merle F. Nellist, or to some other suitable person.

It is ordered that the 15th day of March, A. D. 1926, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, at said probate office, be and is hereby appointed for hearing said petition.

It is further ordered, that public notice thereof be given by publication of a copy of this order for three successive weeks previous to said day of hearing, in the Crawford Avalanche, a newspaper printed and circulated in said county.

George Sorenson, Judge of Probate. 2-18-3

A true copy.

George Sorenson, Judge of Probate. 2-18-3

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Description of land:

STATE OF MICHIGAN, County of Crawford.

Lot 16, Block 5, Portage Lake Park; Lot 17, block 5, Portage Lake Park; Lot 18, block 5, Portage Lake Park. Amount paid \$2.98. Taxes for year 1921.

Frank Sales,

Sec. of business Grayling, Michigan To

We Have 'em Again!

Gunther's "17-70" Chocolates

17 ozs.

17 kinds

70 cents

MAC & GIDLEY

Grayling, Michigan

The Rexall Store

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LOCAL NEWS

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 1926.

Allan Kidston was in Cheboygan Monday on business.

Fred Smith of Alpena was in the city Friday on business.

Harry Helper spent the week end at his home in Bay City.

B. A. Cooley left Monday night on a business trip to Lansing.

Mrs. Chris Jensen is visiting her daughter Mrs. Geo. Dekett of Alpena.

John Yull of Vanderbilt was a week end guest of Miss Lillian Ziebell.

Miss Anne Walton of Detroit is the guest of her sister Mrs. C. R. Keyport.

Miss Marguerite Thayer spent the week end visiting her parents in Clare.

C. B. Olivarius left Wednesday afternoon on a few days' business trip to Detroit.

Elmer Woods of Detroit arrived Tuesday morning for a short visit with friends.

Miss Marjorie Woods of Bay City spent the week end here a guest of Miss Fernie Armstrong.

Mrs. Alva Roberts, Miss Beatrice Trudo and Albert Trudo were in Gaylord on business Tuesday.

Carl Johnson of Detroit spent the week end visiting his parents Mr. and Mrs. Charles Johnson.

Mr. and Mrs. Dell Weir and son Jimmie spent the week end visiting relatives in West Branch.

Harold Jarmin left Tuesday afternoon for Bay City being called there by the illness of his brother.

The ladies of St. Mary's church will give a bake sale next Saturday afternoon at the Mac & Gidley Drug Store.

Miss Michelyn Amborski returned Monday afternoon from a few days visit with her parents in Gaylord.

The dresses that are to be shown at the Fashion show at the School Auditorium Saturday afternoon will be on sale at the Grayling Mercantile Co. store Saturday evening and Monday and Tuesday.

Miss Margrethe Nielsen returned Tuesday morning from a few days visit with friends in Detroit.

Mrs. George Smith left Tuesday afternoon for Detroit to visit her daughter Mrs. Ross Sparkes and family.

Miss Coletta Smith accompanied by her little nephew Bobby Tetu spent the week end at her home in West Branch.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bennett are happy over the arrival of a son February 19th. The little boy has been named Erwin Robert.

New spring hats just in. Grayling Mercantile Co.

Bake sale at Mac's Drug Store Saturday afternoon, given by the ladies of St. Mary's church. There will be many good things to eat.

Thorwald Peterson returned Monday night to Detroit after spending a few days visiting his parents Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Peterson.

Mrs. Getta Fischer and Miss Fedora Montour spent Monday and Tuesday in St. Helen visiting the former's father J. H. Grover.

Mrs. Ray Preston and son Tommy returned Tuesday afternoon from Port Huron where they had been visiting relatives the past week.

Mrs. F. J. Reinhardt returned Monday to her home in Bay City after spending a few days visiting her parents Mr. and Mrs. Jens P. Jensen.

Raymond Lee returned Saturday night to his home in Perth, Ontario, and expects to remain there having resigned his position as barber at the Cowell barber shop.

Although Patricia Eleanore is now three weeks old, news of her arrival at the home of Dr. and Mrs. H. H. Pool of Ann Arbor on February 3rd will be of interest to Grayling friends.

Mrs. Ambrose McClain was hostess to the "It Suits Us" Club Thursday evening. Mrs. Charles Felt won the first prize and Mrs. Adler Jorgenson consolation. A delicious lunch was served late in the evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Nels Corwin, Mr. and Mrs. Chris Hoesli, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Biggs, and Mrs. Celis Granger and son Howard Granger are in Ithaca today to attend the funeral of James H. Wingard, who passed away Tuesday.

There will be work in the second degree next Tuesday night, March 2nd at the I. O. O. F. Members please be present.

Miss Alice Harrison spent the week end with friends in Saginaw.

Zippers and 4 buckle articles, rubbers and socks at 10 per cent off at Olsons.

It seems to be the fashion to have birthdays in February. Several new arrivals this month add to the list.

Nels Corwin drove in from Flint Saturday with one of the new Flint Junior Coaches which he will use for demonstration purposes.

Mr. Burt Schulz of Saginaw arrived Monday afternoon for a few days visit at the home of her parents Mr. and Mrs. P. L. Brown.

I don't forget, Saturday, February 27, is the last day on which you may register to vote at the Village election to be held on March 8.

Attend the Fashion show and select the gown that you like. They will be on sale at the Grayling Mercantile Co. store Saturday evening, Monday and Tuesday.

Truman Ray was born to Mr. and Mrs. Ben Yoder Saturday at 11:20 a. m. He is the sixth son in the Yoder family of eight children. Lots of luck to the new arrival!

Grayling High school boys were defeated in a good game of basketball on the home court last Friday night, Gladwin High school carrying off the honors by a score of 31-13.

Fresh leaf lettuce is considered a delicacy that is superior to head lettuce. If in doubt just try some that is being offered at the Greenhouse. It is certainly fresh, crisp and tender. Phone 444.

Mrs. Alvin LaChapelle and son Bobby returned Tuesday afternoon from Detroit where they had spent a week visiting the former's sisters Mrs. Robert Quigley and Mrs. John Aldrich.

The new electric Motor recently installed at Olson's shoe repair department has enabled them to reduce the price of half soling 10 per cent and also quicker and better work is being accomplished.

Supt. B. E. Smith is in Washington, D. C. this week, in attendance at the national convention of school superintendents. Monday evening he had the privilege of hearing President Coolidge address the meeting.

The Fashion Show at the School Auditorium next Saturday afternoon. Men as well as ladies are invited to attend. Admission free. Come and bring your friends. This is being given under the auspices of the Good Fellowship Club.

In honor of Mr. and Mrs. Alva Roberts who expect to leave Grayling soon, relative and a few friends gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Brown Tuesday evening. Cards were enjoyed after which a delicious lunch was served.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Cripps and children left the latter part of the week for a month's visit with the former's parents Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Cripps of Mio. During their absence Miss Clara Whipple will visit with her aunt Mrs. Charles Waldron.

Last Thursday evening the Danish Young people met at Danebod Hall for their regular meeting. Reading by Rev. Kjolhede were enjoyed, after which lunch was served by Elma Mae Sorenson, Mildred and Marius Hanson. Games were played after lunch.

Ralph Routier, young son of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Routier of Detroit, is suffering with a double mastoid. And in addition to that very painful affliction, he now has the measles. It is reported that he is in a very serious condition.

Wednesday night, March 3rd will be the last of the night of the Pythian Lodge. Past chancellors jewels will be awarded on that occasion, and a fine banquet will be served. Every Pythian is urged to be present and in making this a banner meeting.

Mr. R. Petersen, manager of the Greenhouses, is suffering with a bad cold and today is unable to even whisper. He indicated on a scratch pad, however, that he would have somebody on the job to answer telephone calls and that orders would be filled promptly as usual.

Your school needs your help in athletics. Let's turn out Friday night and show the teams we are with them whether they win or lose. We vouch that they will come nearer winning if a large crowd is present to cheer them on. Don't let's miss another school game. Gaylord High school boys and girls teams will be here Friday night.

Fred Welsh was about town Monday forenoon distributing cigars among his friends and receiving congratulations over the arrival of a daughter, Miss Nell Kerry. And at the hospital Mrs. Welsh was being showered with flowers. Three daughters and three sons now grace the Welsh home and we might assume Miss Nell that she will be in good company.

L. M. Edwards, who has been spending the past two weeks in Grayling visiting old friends and taking medical treatment, is returning tonight to his home in Bangor, where he is employed on the Bangor Advance. While here he had his tonsils removed and is now feeling fine again.

Lew likes Grayling and is always glad to drop in and visit with his old friends. He was an employee of the Avalanche about four years, leaving here during the war, and says he has enjoyed taking off his coat and helping out in the work again, which he has done quite frequently since being here.

There is excellent indication that Grayling will soon have a federal flying field by next summer. Colonel LeRoy Pearson, quartermaster general and custodian of the federal department of war, has written Mr. R. Hanson relative to the purchase of the land at T. Town for aviation purposes. He says that representatives have been here and taken a survey of the property and that they are very well pleased with the conditions. Besides the 300 acres of land, they will want the houses and other buildings on the place. We understand that the terms offered are very satisfactory and, if so, no doubt will be accepted and the place prepared soon for service. Just what this will mean isn't quite certain, however there is no doubt but that a number of hangars will have to be built, the land cleared and housing arranged for the workmen. This is located one mile north of down town on M-14 and will add to the already many attractions about the city.

Spring...Style Show

The Good Fellowship Club

—of Grayling will hold at the School Auditorium on

Saturday, Feb. 27th, at 2:30 P. M.

—a display of New Spring Fashions on living models. This will enable you to see the New Spring Models in Coats, Dresses and Hats
—direct from the leading manufacturers

You are Cordially
Invited to attend
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Music and Special Dancing Acts



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The latest Spring
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Hand-tailored models
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The models will feature Coats for
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An exceptionally fine display of
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These garments will be on sale at the Grayling
Mercantile Co. Store on Saturday Evening,
also on Monday and Tuesday.

OUR BULLETIN

THE BUSY SHOPPERS' GUIDE

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\$3.75

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made of selected wood
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Miss Helen Granger had the misfortune to dislocate her right shoulder Saturday night while tobogganing at Collen's Hill. The injury was attended at Mercy hospital Sunday morning after which the young lady was removed to her home.

Gaylord's High school boys and girls basketball teams will play the local High school teams here tomorrow (Friday) night. The local girls won their game at Gaylord by one point the last of January and the boys lost by one score, so the games on the home floor promise to be warm contests.

Grayling Independents met defeat at the hands of the Cheboygan All City on the latter's floor by a score of 22 to 18. It is reported it was a fine game. Cheboygan added a little more strength to their team to meet the situation and therefore put up a much better game than they did when they played in Grayling a couple of weeks ago.

The "Jolly Eight" Club met Thursday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Joseph Kernosky. First prize was won by Mrs. Carl Doroh and consolation by Mrs. John Isenbauer. After the games a delicious lunch was served by the hostess. Yesterday Mrs. Albert Knibbs entertained the Club. Prizes were won by Mrs. Alvin Goff and Mrs. Joseph Kernosky. The hostess served a delicious lunch.

A slight sleet storm early this morning made difficulties at the Big mill, where the log tramway was so icy that the men could not operate it. Whereupon the mill closed down until about 8:00 o'clock when the whistle again summoned the men to their jobs. This accounts for the many and varied blowings of the whistles this morning. No special damage was done to wire lines about town, although this was quite a heavy sleet storm for this part of the state.

Edward Trudo will leave Saturday for Kenosha, Racine and Milwaukee, where he will take a special training course with the Nash Motors Co., which opens March 1st.

Herman Schreiber, formerly of Grayling, has recently been honored by having the degree of Bachelor of Laws conferred upon him by the American Extension University of Law. Mr. Schreiber is a graduate of Ferris Institute and Valparaiso University. The latter institution conferred upon him the B. C. S. degree in 1923. At the present time he has charge of the commercial work at the Bliss Business College, North Adams, Mass. During past years he held similar positions, first as commercial teacher at Bay City Business College and later as principal of the Commercial Department at the Troy Business College, Troy, N. Y.

Additional local news on last page.

The Master's Voice

New Victor Records

every Friday

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GRAYLING, MICH.

For The Lenten Season

This week we especially call your attention to a new fresh stock just received from Chicago for our Lenten trade.

Salted Fish in brine, Norwegian Mackerel and Anchovies, Mackinaw Trout and Spiced Herring, Holland Herring and Cod Fish.

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- Wrist Watch ribbon a 50c value 29c
- Vest pocket memoranda books, 3 for 10c
- Percolator tops, 2 for 5c
- 14 ounces Ammonia 10c
- 9-1-2 oz. of Scat Soap hand or household use 10c
- 6 oz. pkg of Moth balls 10c
- Incense and Incense burners, each 10c
- Shaving Brush, 50c value, Rubber set 29c
- Shaving Mugs, gold-lined 29c
- Orange Flower hard-water Soap, large bar 10c
- Paint, various colors, 1-4 pint cans 10c

TRY THE
S. B. Variety Store
FIRST, LAST, and ALWAYS

Local News

James Bugby is the new clerk at the L. J. Kraus Hardware store beginning his duties Monday.

Don't you miss the big slaughter sale at Frank's Saturday and Monday, when sizes may be broken.

There will be a Regular meeting of Grayling Chapter O. E. S. No. 83 on Wednesday evening March 3rd.

Services at the Michelson Memorial church every night except Monday, at 7:30. Good music, good singing and a fine service. Every one invited.

Our soda fountain is again running. Drop in and try a dish of ice cream, malted milk or a soda. Ice cream is not a luxury. Central Drug Store.

When people will turn out for a sale such as today, Frank says there must be something in the air, and this is what happened at Frank's sale. Watch them come and keep on coming. At Frank's.

The meeting of the Grayling Auto Club that was to have been held last Tuesday, February 23rd, has been postponed to Tuesday, March 9th. Will be held at the Board of Trade rooms. Auto owners please be present.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl England had as their guests Mr. and Mrs. Roy Billings and Mr. and Mrs. Sam Johnson of Bay City over Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. John Snogren, parents of Mrs. England, who had been visiting in Bay City for some time have returned to Grayling, where they make their home with their daughter.

Lenten devotions at St. Mary's church are held on Friday and Sunday the rosary is recited, stations of the cross and benediction, and on Sunday evenings at 7:30. On Friday evening the rosary is recited, stations of the evening, rosary, benediction and sermon last Sunday evening on the Blessed Virgin was most inspiring.

The Odd Fellows lodge will give an Old Time Dance at the Temple Theatre on Thursday evening March 4th. All Odd Fellows, Rebekahs and their friends are cordially invited. There will be good music and a good time assured to all. For tickets who do not care to dance, there will be card tables in the lodge rooms for their use if desired.

Mr. and Mrs. Peter L. Brown are happy as their son Victor and daughter, Miss Lorlene arrived in the city Monday afternoon from Oakland, Calif., to pay them a visit. Victor was born in Grayling and graduated from Grayling high, leaving some time later for the west, and it is thirteen years since his last visit home. He says he is going to make this one a good long one this time. His many old friends are pleased to see him again.

Mrs. Herbert Gothro was tendered a very pleasant surprise, when she returned from church services last Friday evening. A number of her friends had invaded her home and awaited her return greeting her with a "surprise". The evening was spent at cards and at a late hour a fine party lunch was enjoyed. The occasion was Mrs. Gothro's birthday anniversary, which she was to have celebrated the following day. She was presented with a nice gift.

West Branch radio fans remained on the air until early Tuesday morning to hear Ange Lorenzo and Chick Rosevear broadcast from W. C. X. Detroit Free Press station. Our distinguished West Branch gentlemen were announced at 1:15. Jack sang a popular song hit while Ange broadcast his new number "I've Waited for This" for the first time. West Branch Herald.

A very delightful card party was given at Shoppington Inn Monday evening by Division No. one of the Hospital Aid for the benefit of Mercy hospital. The dining room of the Inn had been arranged for the party and George Washington's Birthday decorations were everywhere on display. Seventeen tables were filled for the games of "500" and bridge which were much enjoyed. Through the courtesy of Mr. Peterson of the Grayling Green Houses potted plants were sold which added to the fund as well as to the loveliness of the party. Mrs. R. H. Gillett and Henry Baugher, held the high scores for bridge, and Mrs. Theodore Leslie and Mr. Milnes for "500". The party netted the hospital some sixty-five dollars.

The members of the Board of Trade and their ladies enjoyed a fine dinner and dance at the Board of Trade rooms Thursday evening. About seventy sat down to the two long tables which had been set for the occasion and did justice to the splendid meal which was served them. The social committee which is composed of Roy Milnes, Chris Olsen, Harold Jarmin, Robert Reagan and A. J. Joseph together with their wives had prepared refreshments in keeping with George Washington's Birthday and the flags, cherries, hatchets etc., made the room most attractive. After the dinner the guests spent the evening playing cards and dancing. This was one of the pleasantest occasions ever given by the Board of Trade and it is hoped that more such affairs may be given by its very efficient social committee.

We will have nice fresh Hot Coss buns for sale every Friday during the Lenten season. Try some.

Model Bakery.

Mr. and Mrs. Alva Roberts and son Junior returned Sunday morning from a visit in Detroit and Caro.

It will do you good to see the way Frank has this store re-arranged, and the way the goods are being displayed.

Try Whitman's hot chocolate at our fountain. We also sell the powders so you can make your own. Central Drug Store.

To every mother and father that has a family. This will be your opportunity. Don't miss it. Frank. The fire department responded to a call from District No. 1 this morning when a chimney was discovered burning out on the Burton hotel building. There was no damage.

When the Gaylord basketball team comes Friday, they will be accompanied by the Gaylord band and a large bunch of rooters. This shows a fine spirit and no doubt their visit will be truly appreciated by Grayling people. Don't miss the game.

Clyde Hum of Cleveland, Ohio, a former Grayling boy, who represents the Jaeger Portable Power Corporation is in the city for a few days demonstrating the new "Fly-Roe", a fire fighting apparatus attached to a Ford roadster. It is operated by a Ford engine and the pump runs three times the speed of the engine, making it a valuable fire-fighting machine.

The National League of Veterans and Sons held their regular social meeting last evening with George Colleen, who entertained the party at the city restaurant. The ladies were invited and in all there were about fifty present. Progressive Pedro was enjoyed, Mrs. Harry Hum and Mrs. George Colleen capturing the ladies' prizes and Ben Yoder and John Mathiesen the gents'. A fine lunch was served by the host.

The Grayling Laundry has an exhibit in the Peterson Grocery window that is a very attractive display of fine, clean linens, blankets, dresses and other wash goods. One child's suit that is claimed to have been washed at that laundry 62 times still looks as slick and fresh as a daisy. Same with the other articles—they are beautifully clean and done up. Keep the laundry in business by giving them your patronage. We need a laundry and can only hope to keep it by giving it our loyal, moral and financial support.

OLD LANDMARK BEING RAZED

RUSSELL HOUSE TO BE REPLACED BY SERVICE STATION.

The old landmark, the "New Russell Hotel", has been sold to Hans R. Nelson and this week, is being torn down. In its place Mr. Nelson says he will construct a modern auto service station, complete in all the branches. This was built more than forty years ago and was constructed of the finest quality of white and Norway pine and the timber is being hauled on sleighs to Lake Marquette where Mr. Nelson says, he will use it for building lake cottages.

The original building was a two story dwelling and stood on the corner of Michigan avenue and Cedar street that is now occupied by Emil Kraus as a dry goods store. It was built and occupied by a man named Luke Tryon, in the year 1877. Later it was moved to the rear, facing Cedar street and occupied by Mr. L. S. Benson, a millinery store, he himself being the trimmer, and it is claimed that he enjoyed a fine patronage from the ladies of Grayling at that time.

Later it was moved to the corner of Cedar and Ottawa streets, its present location and at first used as a dwelling by Herman Dudd, an employee of Salling Hanson Co., and his family. About 25 years ago it was purchased by Hyacinth Charron and opened as a hotel, the event being celebrated in gala fashion, with banquet, orchestra and speeches.

For many years this hostelry enjoyed the patronage of the city and the traveling public. Considerable improvement was made on the building, a third story and an annex being added. Later, with advent of the Burton House, still later the Shoppington Inn, the Russell house was relegated to the third class and patronage dwindled away to where it was losing money for its owner. A number of efforts were made to resurrect the business but each time it failed to develop. For a number of years it has stood idle and was really a detriment to that part of the city, partly because of its fire hazard.

Mr. Nelson says that he will build there the finest service station anywhere in the north, complete with vulcanizing plant.

THE RUBBER SITUATION

Herbert Hoover is going after his old English friends and the monopoly in rubber. He has them scared, and as a result rubber stocks have been greatly depressed in the London markets. It seems, according to Mr. Hoover, that the Administration is trying to prevent American money from being used to help finance the British Rubber monopoly.

Subscribe for the Avalanche.

HOSPITAL KEEPING UP-TO-DATE

GRAYLING MERCY HOSPITAL INSTALLS NEW ETHYLENE ANESTHESIA.

Mercy Hospital, Grayling, is one of to install a beautiful Safety Gas machine for the purpose of administering the new Ethylene gas, that was studied and perfected by Arno B. Luckhardt, Ph. D. M. D. of the University of Chicago.

History—early literature—in the years following the discovery of the general anesthetics, ether, chloroform and nitrous oxide (1842-1847), physicians, physiologists and pharmacologists tested out on laboratory animals and on themselves, a great variety of more or less volatile liquids, as well as several gases, hoping to discover not only some new anesthetic but perhaps an anesthetic agent superior to those but recently introduced. Thomas Runneley, surgeon at Leeds was most actively engaged in such research. In 1849 he published data based on the examination of some 37 compounds. Oxygen gas or Ethylene was one of those examined. But his results were so unsatisfactory that he deemed it unworthy of further trial and serious consideration.

In the ensuing thirty-three years no further reference to Ethylene is found in literature. In 1918 Doctors Luckhardt and Thompson without knowledge of the previous work just reported, established on frogs, rats and one dog the analgesic administered in a mixture of 80 per cent Ethylene and 20 per cent oxygen.

The Great war interrupted the research temporarily. Doctors Luckhardt and Carter resumed the work in 1922 and the preliminary and preliminary experiments of the investigators were confirmed and greatly extended.

The work involved not only a greater number of experiments on white rats, guinea pigs, rabbits and kittens to compare the effects of Ethylene at a given concentration with the same concentration of the well known anesthetic, nitrous oxide. The work was next extended to the dog. No deleterious results having been observed in the dog after relatively prolonged and oft repeated administrations of the gas, Doctors Luckhardt and Carter studied its effects, first on themselves and other volunteers. At a private demonstration given in the Physiology building of the University of Chicago to a group of surgeons, internists and professional anesthetists, Luckhardt and Carter again served as subjects. So well satisfied were the physicians with the rapid action of, complete relaxation by, and rapid recovery from the gas, that Ethylene was used within several days (March 14, 1923) in the Presbyterian Hospital, Chicago as a general anesthetic.

On April 27, 1923, Doctors Luckhardt and Carter reported the first 106 cases operated on under Ethylene at the Presbyterian Hospital, Chicago. The new Ethylene-oxygen gas is far superior to any other anesthetic, including nitrous oxide.

1. Ease of induction and rapid recovery.
2. Relaxation without cyanosis.
3. Absence of sweating.
4. Absence of respiratory irritation.
5. Narrow anesthetic margin.

One of the Sisters at Mercy hospital has just returned from Chicago, as a trained anesthetist. She had the privilege of attending lectures given by Dr. Luckhardt in practical and theoretical anesthesia.

The beautiful new Safety Gas machine was donated by Mr. Rasmus Hanson to Mercy Hospital and it is very much appreciated by the Hospital staff.

Sisters of Mercy.

OUR GREAT SENATE

The Senate knows where it is headed for all the time and it usually reaches its destination without wrecking its motor. People who grow impatient about the length of the Senate debates should reflect that they serve to point out gross defects that would otherwise be filled with jokers or vicious provisions. Of course all legislation is apt to be more or less of a compromise, but when the Senate is able to find and amend important House bills in hundreds of items it is proof that haste should be made slowly.

The House is so large that it cannot be a deliberate legislative body. The Senate is a conservative body, and in consequence it is the branch of Congress that actually makes the laws. The House of Representatives mixes the dough, but the Senate attends to the baking. Careless people find a good deal to criticize in the Senate, but if they will get down to a correct analysis of the way things are done they will likely change their minds regarding most of the criticism.

First "Standing Army"

The British standing army mainly arose in the reign of Charles II. In 1681, in consequence of the extinction of feudal tenures, the first five regiments of British infantry were established between 1693 and 1695. In 1695 the army consisted of 7,000 foot and 1,700 cavalry. The militia then consisted of about 130,000 men, horse and foot.

GRAYLING LOSES TO MIDLAND FIVE

Grayling Independents lost the basketball game Saturday night to the Midland Independents by a score of 19 to 26. It was a very fine and interesting game thruout, both teams showing fast work and excellent passing.

The first quarter ended with six each. In the second frame Grayling was on the long end of a 11-10 score. In the third quarter the visitors rung up 11 points while they held the locals to two. This was a case where the Midlandites, while Grayling missed a number of shots by very narrow margins; the ball just would not stay in the basket, but instead would wend its way about the hoop and fall outside the basket. It was heart breaking. The last quarter was won by Grayling, the score being 6 to 5. The game ended with the final score 19 to 26, in favor of Midland. Following is the summary.

Grayling	B	F	P
E. Johnson, F	4	0	8
C. Johnson, F	0	0	0
Smith, F	0	0	0
Reynolds, F	1	1	3
Burnham, C	4	0	8
MacPhee, G	0	0	0
Hanson, G	0	0	0
	9	1	19

Midland	B	F	P
Langley, F	2	3	7
Anderson, F	4	0	8
Shudark, C	0	1	2
Lewis, G	1	0	2
Dickie, G	4	0	8
	11	4	26

Grayling	6	5	2	6-19
Midland	6	4	11	5-26

First Class Knives

Clasp or spring knives became common about 1650. They first came from Flanders, which was the seat of many and varied industries even many years before this time. A knife cleaning machine was invented in 1844 by George Kent of England.

ZeZ Confrey Mixes Salads and Songs

ZeZ Confrey, famous composer of his musical classic, "The Kitten on the Keys," is hailed by his friends as the most versatile of American popular song composers. Those who know him say he can mix a salad or a song with equal success, which is saying considerable since his portrayal of the delightful pranks of a certain young feline frisking over his ivories has been recognized as the model of American syncopation.

But Mr. Confrey has other "fests" in his repertoire, his acquaintances declare. Country bred, he is a judge of horse flesh, and also knows a good deal.

The simple life is Mr. Confrey's idea of happiness. Every so often Manhattan gets too crowded for him and he boards a train for the country and he companionship of a certain amusing brook. Inevitably he comes back with one of the merry tunes for which he is noted.

A bachelor, ZeZ keeps open house for his friends. If he invites a few of the boys over for a midnight supper, he does the cooking himself. Invitations to his lively little dinners are sought after. There are around a dozen which Mr. Confrey is partial. So are his friends. His recipes for the two follow:

- Royal Eggs With Mushroom Sauce.**
12 eggs
1 cup evaporated milk
Salt
Pepper
1-2 pound mushrooms
1 slice pineapple
1 tsp. butter
2 slices toast
- 1 1/2 cup evaporated milk diluted with salt
1 1/2 cup meat stock
(This may be prepared from bouillon cubes)
2 tsp. flour
Parasely

Saute the mushrooms in two tbsp. butter, taking care not to burn; make a white sauce of two tbsp. butter, four evaporated milk and meat stock. Cook five minutes. Add the cooked mushrooms and chopped pineapple. Break eggs and drop into hot fat, being careful to keep egg in a globular mass. Just as soon as they are a golden brown lift out and drain. Place an onion on each piece of toast. Allow two pieces for each serving. Pour over all the mushroom sauce and garnish with parsley.

Pineapple-Cheese Salad.
10 slices pineapple
1 cup cream
1 slice cheese
1/2 cup chopped nuts
2 tsp. evaporated milk

Crisp lettuce leaves
1 tbsp. pineapple
1 tsp. sugar
Green and red mangoes
Creamy salad dressing

Combine the cheese, nuts, evaporated milk, pineapple juice and sugar, and blend into a smooth mass. Cut pineapple circles in half. Spread cheese mixture on a slice of pineapple and press the other half circle of pineapple on top. Cheese is one would a slice of bread in making a sandwich. Cut diamonds or triangles from green and red mangoes and press into the slice of the cheese mixture between the pineapple. Lay two of the prepared pieces of pineapple on a crisp lettuce leaf. Serve with creamy salad dressing. This serves five.

FRESHENING BREEZES

A New York man burned his mother-in-law to death because she kept nagging him for money. We hope the idea won't spread to include wives also.

If we had a child that fell off a horse as often as does a certain world figure, we'd finally get the idea that maybe it would be a good thing if he tried walking for a while.

What has become of the old-fashioned lady who used to wear an automobile hood when riding?

Maybe this rubber shortage was caused by making pencil tips for cross-word puzzle fiends.

Has anyone thought to inquire what "Red" Grange's salary was last week?

Now that the Stillmans have resumed their long interrupted romance, it wouldn't surprise us to hear any morning that Kip Rhinelander had been stricken with color blindness again.

Mr. Stillman said the parenthood of his youngest child will no longer be referred to the commissioner on Indian affairs.

Are you still feeding your feathered friends these winter mornings? They pay big dividends in song a little later on.

There are no Fridays the 18th in 1926, but the first day of the month when bills fall due will continue to roll around the usual twelve times.

Some folks talk so much that if they were ventriloquists they wouldn't give the dummy a chance to answer.

One of the senators proposes a law to prevent the marriage of feeble-minded persons. That will have our approval so long as they don't attempt to make it retroactive.

Between American gasoline and British rubber it looks as if it was going to be a great year for the alarmists.

Now that we are in the World Court will somebody speak to Europe about the corn borer and the sparrows?

O. L. Smith, assistant attorney general, says that in the days before license in Michigan the bootleggers put a gallon of rum and a plug of tobacco into a barrel of rain water and sold it to the natives for whiskey. Now they don't even put in the gallon of rum.

Paragraphs concerning Michigan Lansing—With the year ending last June 30 the 585 banks in the state had increased their total bank deposits by 84 billions; their loans by 47 millions while their total deposits were more than one and one-half billion. The 16 trust companies in the state also reported a

healthy growth and increase.

Michigan folks now are buying ten times as much life insurance as they did ten years ago.

To save the interurban roads from complete wreckage and disaster, due to truck and bus competition, the state utilities commission has granted two of the lines permits to operate busses as feeder lines in some sections.

When Francis Gildersleeve of Lansing several years ago started the state's first \$1 auto laundry auto dealers told him "he was headed for the poor house. Today Francis finds it difficult to take care of the cars that are driven to him and he likes to recite that piece which says something about the world beating a path to the door of the man who has what it wants.

Muskegon county claims to own more than half of the silver black foxes in the United States. It had the first fox ranches in the state.

The state is planning the purchase of a new boat to be used in the ferry service at the straits. This will relieve the present congestion. The boat is to be procured from the government.

The sum of \$366,363 was voluntarily paid in Detroit last year by 121,916 motorists who were tagged by the police for auto law infractions.

Editor Charles Reed of Ohio has very recently obtained a drum used at the battle of Lookout Mountain. He has the verification of the drum's record from the war department. It was presented by Captain Robert Taryin of the 24th Ohio Infantry.

It cost around seven millions to move back buildings and pay for condemned land along Widener Woodward between Detroit and Pontiac.

Work of Patient Artists

The complete history of the discovery of America has been written on the surface of a hen's egg. Another pennian spent ten years drawing 124 different heads on the surface of a single cherry stone. The artist refused \$2,000 for the stone.

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